



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT OF  
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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**[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION  
ON TUESDAY, JULY 26, 2016, ON PAGE 157]**

**SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR PRO TEM:** WE'D LIKE TO SAY GOOD MORNING AND WELCOME TO THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, TODAY, TUESDAY, JULY 26TH. PLEASED THAT YOU ARE HERE AND BEGIN TO BE CALLED TO ORDER BY ESTABLISHING A QUORUM. WE ASK THAT OUR MORNING'S INVOCATOR, RABBI JASON VAN LEEUWEN FROM TEMPLE B'NAI HAYIM OF SHERMAN OAKS AT THE INVITATION OF THE THIRD DISTRICT, FOLLOWED BY OUR PLEDGE VETERAN, ANTHONY D. WILLIAMS, COMMANDER, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR BLACK VETERANS OF LOS ANGELES, AT THE INVITATION OF THE SECOND DISTRICT. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, PLEASE RISE FOR THE MORNING'S INVOCATION.

**RABBI JASON VAN LEEUWEN:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KUEHL, FOR INVITING ME. THANK YOU, ESTEEMED BOARD. OUR CREATOR, FORCE THAT PROPELS THE UNIVERSE, WE ASK YOUR BLESSINGS FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, ITS SUPERVISORS, AND ALL ITS INHABITANTS. WE ASK YOU TO TEACH THEM INSIGHTS OF YOUR TEACHING SO THEY MAY ADMINISTER ALL AFFAIRS OF STATE FAIRLY, SO THAT PEACE AND SECURITY, HAPPINESS AND PROSPERITY, JUSTICE AND FREEDOM MAY FOREVER ABIDE IN OUR MIDST. CREATOR OF ALL



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1 FLESH, BLESS ALL OUR INHABITANTS WITH YOUR SPIRIT. MAY  
2 CITIZENS OF ALL RACES AND CREEDS FORGE A COMMON BOND AND TRUE  
3 HARMONY TO BANISH ALL HATRED AND BIGOTRY AND TO SAFEGUARD THE  
4 IDEALS AND FREE INSTITUTIONS WHICH ARE THE PRIDE AND GLORY OF  
5 THIS GREAT NATION. MAY THIS LAND UNDER YOUR PROVIDENCE BE AN  
6 INFLUENCE FOR GOOD THROUGHOUT THE WORLD, UNITING ALL PEOPLE IN  
7 PEACE AND FREEDOM AND HELPING THEM FULFILL THE VISION OF YOUR  
8 PROPHET. NATION SHALL NOT LIFT UP SWORD AGAINST NATION,  
9 NEITHER SHALL EXPERIENCE WAR ANYMORE. AND MAY WE SEE THE DAY  
10 WHEN WAR AND BLOODSHED CEASE, WHEN A GREAT PEACE WILL EMBRACE  
11 THE WHOLE WORLD, SO NATION WILL NOT THREATEN NATION, AND  
12 HUMANKIND WILL NOT AGAIN KNOW WAR. FOR ALL WHO LIVE UNDER US  
13 SHALL REALIZE WE HAVE NOT COME INTO BEING TO HATE OR TO  
14 DESTROY; WE HAVE COME INTO BEING TO PRAISE, TO LABOR AND TO  
15 LOVE. COMPASSIONATE ONE, BLESS THE LEADERS OF ALL NATIONS WITH  
16 THE POWER OF COMPASSION. FULFILL THE PROMISE CONVEYED IN  
17 SCRIPTURE, I WILL BRING PEACE TO THE LAND. YOU SHALL LIE DOWN  
18 AND NO ONE SHALL TERRORIZE YOU. I WILL RID THE LAND OF VICIOUS  
19 BEASTS AND IT SHALL NOT BE RAVAGED BY WAR. LET LOVE AND  
20 JUSTICE FLOW LIKE A MIGHTY STREAM. LET PEACE FILL THE EARTH AS  
21 THE WATERS FILL THE SEA, AMEN.

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND WHILE WE'RE IN A  
24 SPIRIT OF INVOCATION, I'M GOING TO ASK FOR A SPECIAL MOMENT OF  
25 ACKNOWLEDGMENT BY SUPERVISOR SHEILA KUEHL.





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2 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. WE WILL ADJOURN IN  
3 THE MEMORY OF MOLLIE LOWERY LATER IN THE MEETING, BUT I SIMPLY  
4 WANTED TO INDICATE THAT I'D LIKE TO DEDICATE ANY GOOD THAT I  
5 MIGHT DO FOR THE REST OF THIS YEAR TO MOLLIE'S LIFE AND TO HER  
6 MEMORY. THANK YOU.

7

8 **ANTHONY D. WILLIAMS:** COULD WE ALL PLEASE REMAIN STANDING AND  
9 FACE THE FLAG? PLEASE PLACE YOUR HAND OVER YOUR HEART. THOSE  
10 VETERANS AMONG US CAN RENDER A HAND SALUTE AND JOIN IN THE  
11 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE  
12 RECITED.]

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14 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR. RABBI JASON VAN  
15 LEEUWEN JOINED THE TEMPLE B'NAI HAYIM AS A SPIRITUAL LEADER IN  
16 2012 AND ALSO SERVES AS ITS CHAZZAN. WITH A 20-YEAR PROVEN  
17 TRACK RECORD OF COMPELLING SPIRITUAL VISION, PASSION FOR  
18 TEACHING AND STUDYING SACRED TEXTS, REB JASON CREATIVELY MAKES  
19 ANCIENT WORKS COME ALIVE. INFUSING SERMONS WITH HUMOR AND  
20 GRAVITAS IN A CONVERSATIONAL STYLE, HE ALSO BRINGS HIS TALENT  
21 AS A RECOGNIZED VOCALIST, GUITARIST AND COMPOSER, REB JASON'S  
22 COMMUNITY OUTREACH INCLUDES THE PRODUCTION OF A FUNDRAISING  
23 CONCERT FOR VICTIMS OF 9/11, THE START OF A TEMPORARY HOUSING  
24 PROGRAM FOR MIGRANT WORKERS ON LONG ISLAND AND SERVING AS  
25 PRESIDENT OF AN L.A. NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL. IN ADDITION TO HIS



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1 EXPERIENCE AS A RABBI AND CANTOR, HE WAS INVOLVED IN THE  
2 THEATER, HAVING BEEN AN ACTOR, DIRECTOR, PRODUCER AND COMPOSER  
3 IN NUMEROUS COMMUNITY PRODUCTIONS. BORN IN SYRACUSE, NEW YORK,  
4 SON OF A DUTCH JEWISH FATHER AND A DAUGHTER OF THE AMERICAN  
5 REVOLUTION, REB JASON WAS ORDAINED BY THE JEWISH THEOLOGICAL  
6 SEMINARY AND HOLDS A B.A. DEGREE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF  
7 JUDAISM. HE IS THE FATHER OF TWO CHILDREN. PLEASE HELP ME TO  
8 THANK HIM. [APPLAUSE.]

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** COLLEAGUES AND MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE,  
11 WE'RE DELIGHTED TO HAVE MR. ANTHONY D. WILLIAMS, WAS A CHIEF  
12 PETTY OFFICER WITH THE U.S. NAVY FROM 1976 TO 1997. HE SERVED  
13 AS AN INTERIOR COMMUNICATIONS ELECTRICIAN AND DEPLOYED ON THE  
14 U.S.S. CORONADO, LASALLE AND FORRESTAL FROM 1979 TO 1986. HE  
15 SPENT 11 YEARS IN SERVICE IN SAN DIEGO AS A RECRUITER WHERE  
16 HIS OUTSTANDING WORK EARNED HIM SEVERAL GOLD WREATH MEDALS.  
17 MR. WILLIAMS EARNED A MASTER'S DEGREE IN BUSINESS  
18 ADMINISTRATION FROM NATIONAL UNIVERSITY AND TEACHES BUSINESS  
19 MANAGEMENT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF LA VERNE. HE IS A PASSIONATE  
20 ADVOCATE FOR AFRICAN-AMERICAN VETERANS IN THE COMMUNITY AND IS  
21 A COMMANDER AND FOUNDER OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BLACK  
22 VETERANS, GREATER LOS ANGELES CHAPTER, AN ORGANIZATION THAT IS  
23 DEVOTED TO EMPOWERING AFRICAN-AMERICAN VETERANS. HE HAS ONE  
24 DAUGHTER, TERRIN, AND HAS LIVED IN THE DISTRICT FOR 16 YEARS.  
25 WE WISH TO SAY THANK YOU, MR. WILLIAMS, FOR LEADING US IN



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1 TODAY'S PLEDGE AND FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR NATION. LADIES AND  
2 GENTLEMEN, PLEASE WELCOME AND GIVE YOUR ROUND OF APPLAUSE TO  
3 ANTHONY D. WILLIAMS. [APPLAUSE.]

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH TO BOTH THE PLEDGE  
6 VETERAN AND THE MORNING'S INVOCATOR. WE NOW PROCEED. MADAME  
7 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, I UNDERSTAND THAT THERE'S A SPECIAL  
8 PRESENTATION THAT NEEDS TO BE BROUGHT FORWARD. SUPERVISOR  
9 ANTONOVICH WISHES TO BE RECOGNIZED.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. "BEGINNING ON JULY  
12 22ND, A WILDFIRE HAD AROSE IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY, THE  
13 SAND FIRE, WHICH HAS IMPACTED A LARGE PART OF OUR COUNTY. TO  
14 DATE, THE SAND FIRE HAS CAUSED ONE FATALITY, THE EVACUATION OF  
15 OVER 20,000 RESIDENTS, THE EVACUATION OF LARGE ANIMALS, THE  
16 DESTRUCTION OF 18 STRUCTURES, THE DESTRUCTION OF LOCAL  
17 TRANSPORTATION, POWER OUTAGES, WIDESPREAD UNHEALTHY AIR  
18 QUALITY CONDITIONS. THE SAND FIRE IS CONSIDERED UNPRECEDENTED  
19 BY FIRE OFFICIALS AND CREATED CONDITIONS OF DISASTER AND OF  
20 EXTREME PERIL TO THE SAFETY OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY. SEVERAL  
21 COUNTY LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENTS HAVE ENGAGED IN RESPONSE,  
22 RECOVERY ACTIVITIES INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO FIRE AND  
23 RESCUE, CARE AND SHELTER, ANIMAL CARE AND SHELTER, HEALTH AND  
24 WELFARE, PARTICIPATION AND DAILY COORDINATION CALLS,  
25 COORDINATION WITH THE LOCAL RESIDENTS, SECURITY FOR THE





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1 EVACUATED COMMUNITY AND SUPPORT FOR THE LOCAL JURISDICTIONS.  
2 DAMAGE ASSESSMENTS OF IMPACTED AREAS, INCLUDING THE ASSESSMENT  
3 OF LOSS AND DAMAGED STRUCTURES, HAVE BEGUN IN THE AREA. TO  
4 DATE, THE SAND FIRE IS NOT CONTAINED AND HAS BURNED OVER  
5 33,000 ACRES. STARTING ON JULY 23RD. THE FIRE BEGAN TO  
6 INTENSIFY GREATLY. NUMEROUS CONDITIONS HAVE NECESSITATED THE  
7 PROCLAMATION OF THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY WITHIN LOS  
8 ANGELES COUNTY, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE ESCALATION OF  
9 THE FIRE, INCREASING NUMBER OF MANDATORY EVACUATIONS,  
10 CONCERNED AND DISPLACED RESIDENTS, HEALTH CONCERNS IN THE  
11 COMMUNITY AND THE NEED FOR DEBRIS REMOVAL. THE EMERGENCY WOULD  
12 REQUIRE ONGOING ASSESSMENT AND MONITORING OF THE IMPACTED AREA  
13 TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF RESIDENTS AND RESPONDERS ON THE SCENE,  
14 SUCH AS PERSONNEL FROM LAW ENFORCEMENT, FIRE, PUBLIC HEALTH,  
15 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS, AS THEY CONDUCT AN  
16 ONGOING ASSESSMENT AND MONITORING. IN ADDITION TO THE  
17 PARTICIPATION EFFORTS BY THE PRIVATE SECTOR, STATE AND FEDERAL  
18 AGENCIES, THIS FIRE IS BEING FOUGHT UNDER A JOINT COMMAND OF  
19 THE U.S. FORESTRY OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, THE FIRE DEPARTMENT  
20 AND LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. AND WE HAVE FIRE  
21 AGENCIES THROUGH OUR MUTUAL AID PACT. ALL OF THE MUNICIPAL  
22 FIRE DEPARTMENTS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY ARE PARTICIPATING, AS  
23 ARE FIRE DEPARTMENTS FROM ORANGE COUNTY TO NORTHERN CALIFORNIA  
24 ALL PARTICIPATING. BASED UPON THE FOREGOING FACTS AND PURSUANT  
25 TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54954.2 B2. I WOULD MOVE THAT THE



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1 BOARD DETERMINE THAT THERE IS A NEED TO TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION  
2 RATIFYING THE JULY 25, 2016 PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY,  
3 AND THE NEED TO TAKE THE ACTION CAME TO THE ATTENTION OF THE  
4 BOARD SUBSEQUENT TO THE POSTING OF AGENDA FOR TODAY'S  
5 MEETING." SO I WOULD MAKE THAT MOTION.

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7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SECOND.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. THEN "I WOULD FURTHER MOVE THAT THE  
10 BOARD RATIFY THE ATTACHED PROCLAMATION MADE ON JULY 25, 2016  
11 FOR THE SAND FIRE IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY, PROCLAMATION  
12 SHALL REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL ITS TERMINATION IS PROHIBITED--  
13 OR PROCLAIMED BY THE BOARD AND DIRECT COUNTY DEPARTMENTS TO  
14 CONTINUE TO IMPLEMENT ALL ASSESSMENT AND ASSISTANCE,  
15 MONITORING EFFORTS THAT ARE APPLICABLE." UNDER THE CONSENT.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR  
18 ANTONOVICH. WE RECOGNIZE THE GRAVITY OF THE MATTER AND THE  
19 URGENCY IS COMPELLING ON ITS FACE, THEREFORE WE WILL MOVE  
20 ACCORDINGLY. MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE PROCEED WITH  
21 CALLING THE AGENDA.

22

23 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIR PRO TEM AND  
24 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. TODAY'S MEETING WILL BEGIN ON PAGE 3,  
25 REPORT. ITEM R-1 WILL BE HELD FOR REPORT. ON PAGE 4, PUBLIC



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1 HEARINGS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 8. ON ITEM 1, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC  
2 WORKS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO AUGUST 23, 2016.  
3 ON ITEM 2, THIS ITEM WILL BE HELD FOR PUBLIC HEARING. ON ITEM  
4 3, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED  
5 TO AUGUST 23, 2016. ITEMS 4 AND 5 WILL BE HELD FOR PUBLIC  
6 HEARING. ON ITEM 6, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM  
7 BE CONTINUED TO AUGUST 23. ITEMS 7 AND 8 WILL BE HELD FOR  
8 PUBLIC HEARING. ON PAGE 7, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, BOARD OF  
9 SUPERVISORS ITEMS 9 THROUGH 20. ON ITEM NO. 9 AND 11, MEMBERS  
10 OF THE PUBLIC HAVE REQUESTED THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON  
11 ITEMS 12, 13 AND 15, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE REQUESTED THAT  
12 THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ITEM 16 WILL BE HELD WITH R-1 FOR A  
13 REPORT. ON ITEM 17, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT  
14 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 20, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS  
15 REQUESTED THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THE REMAINDER OF THE ITEMS  
16 UNDER THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR KUEHL  
19 MOVES. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH SECONDS. PLEASE RECORD A  
20 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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22 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** ON PAGE 11, CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEMS  
23 21 THROUGH 24. ON ITEMS 21, 23 AND 24, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC  
24 HAVE REQUESTED THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ITEM 22 IS BEFORE  
25 YOU.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH MOVES. SUPERVISOR  
3 KUEHL SECONDS. PLEASE RECORD A UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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5 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** ON PAGE 12, MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS  
6 TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE  
7 OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON  
8 ITEMS 25-A AND 25-B, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE REQUESTED THAT  
9 THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON ITEM 25-C, SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUESTS  
10 THAT THE MOTION BE REVISED TO READ, "RESCIND AND WITHDRAW BY  
11 ADOPTING THE ATTACHED RESOLUTION THE ACTION TAKEN ON JULY 12,  
12 2016, TO PLACE THE HOMELESS REVENUE MEASURE ON THE NOVEMBER 8,  
13 2016 BALLOT," AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT  
14 THIS ITEM BE HELD. A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS ALSO REQUESTED  
15 THAT ITEM C.S.-2 BE HELD. THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE  
16 AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH  
17 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 5.

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR  
20 ANTONOVICH, THE FLOOR'S YOURS.

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS LOOKS LIKE AN ANIMAL STRAIGHT FROM THE  
23 DISNEY STUDIOS. BUT BENJI IS NOT AN ACTOR. IT'S A LITTLE BOY  
24 WHO'S 16 WEEKS OLD, AND HE IS LOOKING FOR A HOME. NOW, HE HAD  
25 LIKE A COUSIN LAST WEEK AND ANGELA IN MY OFFICE ADOPTED HIM



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1 AND HE'S NOW BECOME A LITTLE FIXTURE IN OUR OFFICE, FEELING  
2 RIGHT AT HOME. BENJI IS LOOKING FOR A HOME. HE'S A COCKER-  
3 POODLE. 562-728-4610, AND IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE FOUR MONTHS OLD.  
4 SO IT'S A BIG POOCH. ANYWAY, WE HOPE SOMEBODY IN THE AUDIENCE,  
5 SOMEBODY AT HOME WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT HIM, SOMEBODY FROM THE  
6 MEDIA. WE KNOW THAT THE CAMERA PEOPLE, THE REAL POWER IS  
7 BEHIND THE CAMERA. WOULD PROVIDE A WONDERFUL HOME. OKAY, SEE  
8 ANYBODY, BENJI? OKAY. BENJI, WE'RE GOING TO SAVE YOUR LITTLE  
9 LIFE AND BRING A LOT OF JOY TO A LOT OF PEOPLE.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER THE CODE OF  
12 CONDUCT, PLEASE.

13

14 **RECORDING:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MAY I PLEASE HAVE YOUR  
15 ATTENTION. THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF  
16 SUPERVISORS IS ABOUT TO COMMENCE. A CODE OF CONDUCT WILL NOW  
17 BE READ AND WE REQUEST THAT YOU COMPLY WITH IT TO ENSURE THE  
18 EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE MEETING. MEMBERS OF THE  
19 PUBLIC, IT IS YOUR RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN TODAY'S BOARD  
20 HEARING, AND THE BOARD ENCOURAGES SUCH PARTICIPATION. HOWEVER,  
21 THE RIGHT OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD MUST BE BALANCED  
22 WITH THE NEED TO ENSURE THAT PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INTERFERE  
23 WITH THE ORDERLY COURSE OF THE BOARD'S BUSINESS. ALL ARE  
24 REMINDED TO ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING RULES: SPEAKERS MUST CEASE  
25 SPEAKING IMMEDIATELY WHEN THEIR TIME HAS ENDED. PUBLIC COMMENT





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1 ON AGENDA ITEMS MUST RELATE TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THAT  
2 ITEM. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT IS LIMITED TO SUBJECTS WITHIN THE  
3 JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD. PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE  
4 RIGHT TO ENGAGE IN A DIALOGUE WITH BOARD MEMBERS OR STAFF.  
5 PLEASE REMAIN RESPECTFUL OF THE FORUM AND REFRAIN FROM  
6 UTTERING, WRITING OR DISPLAYING PROFANE, PERSONAL,  
7 THREATENING, DEROGATORY, DEMEANING OR OTHER ABUSIVE STATEMENTS  
8 TOWARDS THE BOARD, ANY MEMBER THEREOF, STAFF, OR ANY OTHER  
9 PERSON. MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE SHOULD BE RESPECTFUL OF THE  
10 VIEWS EXPRESSED BY SPEAKERS, STAFF AND BOARD MEMBERS AND MAY  
11 NOT CLAP, CHEER, WHISTLE OR OTHERWISE DISRUPT THE ORDERLY  
12 CONDUCT OF THE MEETING. ANY PERSON ENGAGING IN CONDUCT THAT  
13 DISRUPTS THE MEETING IS SUBJECT TO BEING REMOVED FROM THE  
14 BOARD MEETING. AND, FINALLY, IF YOU WITNESS CONDUCT OR  
15 BEHAVIOR BY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT DISRUPTS YOUR  
16 ABILITY TO REMAIN ENGAGED OR PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING,  
17 PLEASE NOTIFY THE SERGEANT AT ARMS OR OTHER COUNTY STAFF.  
18 THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE'LL PROCEED TO  
21 THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN LISTED TO SPEAK ON ITEMS THAT THEY HELD.  
22 WE BEGIN WITH HAL LEWIS. ELIZABETH HAWLEY, TOMER GRASSIANY AND  
23 JONATAN CVETKO ON ITEM NO. 25-3, THOSE FOUR PERSONS IF YOU  
24 WOULD COME FORWARD. HAL LEWIS, ELIZABETH HAWLEY, TOMER  
25 GRASSIANY, AND JONATAN CVETKO, IF YOU'RE IN THE AUDIENCE,



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1 PLEASE COME FORWARD. ON 25-A AND 25 C, WE'RE GOING TO HEAR  
2 FROM JOSEPH MAIZLISH. SO, SIR, IF YOU WOULD BE PREPARED TO  
3 COME FORWARD, WE'D APPRECIATE IT. ALL RIGHT. HAL LEWIS. THE  
4 FLOOR IS YOURS. PLEASE PROCEED ON 25-C.

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6 **HAL LEWIS:** HAL-- NOW I HEARD MYSELF, SCARY. GOOD MORNING, MY  
7 NAME IS HAL LEWIS AND I STAND IN FRONT OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND  
8 I AM ASKING THAT YOU KEEP THE BALLOT MEASURE FOR THE TAX ON  
9 CANNABIS FOR THE HOMELESS AND LET THE GREAT PEOPLE OF THIS  
10 COUNTY AND CITY DECIDE WHETHER OR NOT THEY WOULD LIKE TAX  
11 REVENUE FROM THE TAXING CANNABIS TO GO HELP FIX THE HOMELESS  
12 SITUATION IN THIS GREAT CITY. I HEARD OVER THE WEEKEND THAT  
13 ONE OF THE REASONS THAT SUPERVISOR KUEHL-- AND I HOPE I DIDN'T  
14 MISPRONOUNCE YOUR NAME, OKAY, THANK YOU-- IS TAKING THIS OFF  
15 THE BALLOT FOR A VOTE IS BECAUSE THE TREATMENT CENTERS AND  
16 RECOVERY CENTERS ARE AGAINST THE BALLOT MEASURE. I HAVE NOT  
17 BEEN IN CONTACT WITH SUPERVISOR KUEHL TO ASK WHY THE CHANGE OF  
18 HEART. AND I WOULD LIKE THE COUNCIL TO KNOW MY RECOVERY DATE  
19 IS NOVEMBER 10, 1987. AND I HAVE SAT ON THE BOARD FOR A FEW  
20 12-STEP WORLD SERVICE PROGRAMS AND HAVE SAT ON THE BOARD FOR  
21 HOSPITALS AND INSTITUTIONS. I HAVE BEEN IN CONTACT OVER THE  
22 WEEKEND WITH MANY OF THE TREATMENT PROFESSIONALS IN THIS GREAT  
23 CITY AND COUNTY. AND THE OVERWHELMING RESPONSE IS TO STAND IN  
24 FAVOR OF A BALLOT INITIATIVE AND LET THE GREAT PEOPLE OF THIS  
25 CITY/COUNTY DECIDE ON A TAX FOR CANNABIS TO HELP THE HOMELESS



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1 SITUATION WITH FULL WRAP-AROUND SERVICES. MY LAST THOUGHT THIS  
2 MORNING IS THAT WE LIFT THE BAN IN THE COUNTY FOR SAFE ACCESS  
3 FOR PATIENTS FOR THIS GREAT CITY AND COUNTY AND WITH THE  
4 PASSING OF PROP 64 IN NOVEMBER, OUR ORGANIZATION'S OPINION IS  
5 WE NEED TO STAY AHEAD OF THE CURVE, NOT TO LOSE ANY FUNDING  
6 FROM THE STATE. AGAIN, THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY FOR  
7 SPEAKING THIS MORNING.

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. AND WE'LL TAKE THE NEXT  
10 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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12 **ELIZABETH HAWLEY:** GOOD MORNING, ELIZABETH HAWLEY FROM THE  
13 VALLEY INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE ASSOCIATION, V.I.C.A.,  
14 REPRESENTING THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY IN THE SAN FERNANDO  
15 VALLEY. WE SUPPORT THE MOTION TO REMOVE THIS MEASURE FROM THE  
16 NOVEMBER BALLOT AND THANK SUPERVISOR KUEHL FOR BRINGING THIS  
17 MOTION. WE AGREE WITH THE SUPERVISOR THAT THIS IS A CROWDED  
18 BALLOT WHERE HOMELESSNESS WILL NOT RECEIVE THE PRIORITY  
19 ATTENTION THAT IT DOES DESERVE: ONE MAIN REQUIREMENT FOR THE  
20 NOVEMBER ADULT USE INITIATIVE IS TO LEGALIZE AN ALREADY  
21 THRIVING BLACK MARKET INDUSTRY SO IT CAN BE REGULATED. THAT  
22 WAY WE CAN SET SENSIBLE LIMITS, FOR EXAMPLE, BY BANNING  
23 OPERATIONS IN OUR SCHOOLS. THIS TAX WILL PENALIZE EXISTING  
24 MEDICAL DISPENSARIES WHO ARE TRYING TO COMPLY WITH LOCAL  
25 REGULATIONS BUT IT'S ALSO CONTRADICTING BECAUSE HOMELESSNESS



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1 FUNDING WOULD BE RELIANT ON THE LEGALIZATION OF ADULT USE OF  
2 MARIJUANA BUT THE TAXES ON THIS PRODUCT WILL DISINCENTIVIZE  
3 EXISTING LEGAL OPERATORS FROM TRYING TO COME OUT AND COMPLY  
4 WITH LOCAL LAW AND FOLLOW THESE REGULATIONS. SO THEREFORE WE  
5 SUPPORT THE MEASURE TO REMOVE THIS MEASURE FROM THE BALLOT.  
6 THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. WE'LL TAKE  
9 THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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11 **TOMER GRASSIANY:** HI. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR STAYING. MY NAME  
12 IS TOMER GRASSIANY. I'M A RESIDENT OF CALIFORNIA. I'D LIKE TO  
13 SPEAK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THIS BAN. AND WHILE WE ALL, PEOPLE IN  
14 THE CANNABIS INDUSTRY THAT I HAVE BEEN SPEAKING TO HAVE BEEN  
15 ALL VERY HAPPY TO SEE THE BOARD HAS DECIDED TO CHANGE THEIR  
16 MIND AND REALIZE THAT A BAN IS NOT THE RIGHT WAY TO GO ABOUT  
17 DEALING WITH CANNABIS. IT PUTS EXTRA STRAIN ON THE CITY AND  
18 LAW ENFORCEMENT TO TRY TO COMBAT THESE SO-CALLED ILLEGAL  
19 OPERATIONS WHICH ARE FOR THE MOST PART REALLY JUST TRYING TO  
20 PROVIDE EASY ACCESS TO MEDICINE FOR PATIENTS. WE'VE SEEN IN  
21 MANY OF THE COUNTIES ACROSS THIS STATE THAT COUNTIES THAT ADD  
22 AND PUT BANS ON THEIR BALLOT OR ENACT BANS ARE NOT  
23 CONTRIBUTING TO THE COMMUNITY. THERE ARE LESS JOBS THERE, AND  
24 THE BLACK MARKET THRIVES THERE. I THINK THAT WE NEED TO DEAL  
25 WITH THIS CANNABIS BAN. AND I UNDERSTAND THE BOARD WANTS TO



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1 SEE TAX MONEY FROM IT. IT SEEMS LIKE THE MOST SENSIBLE PLACE.  
2 A LOT OF COUNTIES DO ENACT BANS AND WORK WITH THE COMMUNITY IN  
3 ORDER TO CREATE A REGULATED INDUSTRY. THERE'S A LOT OF PEOPLE,  
4 BOTH PATIENTS THAT NEED MEDICINE AND BUSINESS OWNERS THAT ARE  
5 TRYING TO PROVIDE A GOOD SERVICE FOR THE COMMUNITY, WHETHER  
6 IT'S BY HIRING LOCAL PEOPLE OR BASICALLY BRINGING IN MORE  
7 EITHER REAL ESTATE OR CONTRIBUTION TO THE COMMUNITY. AND TO  
8 MAKE IT HARDER FOR THEM BY PUTTING ON BANS THAT ARE AGAIN NOT  
9 REALLY HELPING. IF YOU GO OUT THERE, YOU SEE THAT WHERE THERE  
10 IS A DEMAND, THERE WILL BE SUPPLY. IT WOULD BE A SHAME FOR THE  
11 STATE TO LOSE OUT ON THAT. IN ADDITION, UNDER THE ADULT USE OF  
12 MARIJUANA ACT, I KNOW THAT THEY HAVE SPECIFIC PROVISIONS THAT  
13 SAY IF A COUNTY DOES NOT, OR A CITY DOES NOT ALLOW FOR  
14 OPERATIONS, MEANING THEY ENACT A BAN, THEY WOULD NOT GET ANY  
15 OF THE FUNDING FROM THE 15 PERCENT TAX THAT A.M.A. ADDS TO  
16 THEIR LOCALITY. I THINK IT WOULD BE A TRAVESTY LOSING OUT ON  
17 THAT, PLUS ON OTHER POTENTIAL TAX MONEY THAT WE ADD HERE. AND  
18 THEN FINALLY WHILE I DO THINK THAT HOMELESSNESS IS A BIG  
19 PROBLEM, I DON'T NECESSARILY AGREE THAT CANNABIS SHOULD BE THE  
20 ONE THAT'S PAYING FOR IT. THROWING IN MORE MONEY ON A PROBLEM  
21 THAT HAS NOT BEEN SOLVED IN THE PAST WITH MONEY WOULD NOT  
22 NECESSARILY SOLVE IT. I'M JUST AFRAID THAT IF IT DOES FAIL,  
23 SOLVING THE HOMELESSNESS PROBLEM, THAT IT WILL BE BLAMED ON  
24 THE CANNABIS INDUSTRY WHERE IT'S NOT REALLY RELATED. IF





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1 ANYTHING, CANNABIS TAX MONEY SHOULD GO TOWARDS THE RECOVERY OF  
2 TAX-- I'M SORRY, THE RECOVERY OF DRUG--

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. WE'LL TAKE  
5 THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. CALLING DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL TO  
6 ADDRESS 9, 21 AND 25-C. ERIC PREVEN TO ADDRESS 9, 11, 15, 17,  
7 20, 23, 24, 25-A, 25-B, 25-C, C.S.-2. ARNOLD SACHS 12, 13, 15,  
8 17, 24, 25-C. GENTLEMEN, IF YOU WOULD COME FORWARD NOW. ALL  
9 THE NAMES THAT I HAVE CALLED I WILL NOT CALL AGAIN. ALL THE  
10 NAMES I HAVE CALLED, PLEASE COME FORWARD NOW. SIR, THE FLOOR  
11 IS YOURS.

12

13 **JONATAN CVETKO:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS JONATAN CVETKO. FIRST  
14 OFF AGAIN, I WANT TO THANK YOU ALL AGAIN FOR CONTINUING THIS  
15 DISCUSSION WITH REGARDS TO CANNABIS. CERTAINLY YOU HAVE SEEN  
16 THAT THE COMMUNITY HAS COME OUT FOR THE LAST COUPLE TIMES TO  
17 ACTUALLY SUPPORT YOUR MEASURE WITH THE TAX ON THAT, AND WE  
18 WOULD STILL CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THAT, SHOULD IT BE SOMETHING  
19 YOU CHANGE IN THE FUTURE. THAT BEING SAID, I WANT TO IMPLORE  
20 UPON YOU TO UNDERSTAND THAT WE ARE LOOKING FOR WAYS WE CAN  
21 HELP OUT HOW WE CAN TOWARDS REGULATION, SHOULD THAT BE A  
22 CAUSE, AS WELL, TOO, AND ALSO REMIND YOU THAT SHOULD 2018--  
23 WHEN 2018 COMES UPON US AND WE HAVE THE ABILITY TO TAX AND  
24 COLLECT TAXES ON THAT, WE DO NEED THE YEAR 2017 TO BE ABLE TO  
25 PRODUCE PRODUCTS TO BE ABLE TO BE READY FOR 2018, AS WELL. SO



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1 IN THE MEANTIME, SHOULD THERE BE OPPORTUNITIES FOR US TO STILL  
2 WORK TOGETHER IN HELPING YOU WRITE THE REGULATIONS AND WORK ON  
3 THAT STUFF TOGETHER, WE WELCOME THAT. AND IF THERE'S ANYTHING  
4 YOU WOULD NEED OF US, YOU ALREADY KNOW THERE'S SOME OF OUR  
5 OTHER COLLEAGUES SUCH AS D.P.A. AND C.C.I, WHO HAVE BEEN THERE  
6 TO HELP AS WELL, TOO. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME TODAY,  
7 AND AGAIN, WE WOULD ASK YOU TO RECONSIDER RESCINDING THIS TAX.

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9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.

10 THE CHAIR RECOGNIZES SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

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12 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** JUST TO TALK FOR A MINUTE ABOUT THIS  
13 MEASURE. I KNOW OTHER PEOPLE MAY ADDRESS IT. BUT PEOPLE WHO  
14 CAME SPECIFICALLY TO TALK ABOUT IT. IT'S ALWAYS A DIFFICULT  
15 DECISION TO FIGURE OUT WHAT TO DO AND THEN WHAT TO DO AND THEN  
16 WHAT TO DO. SO I WANT TO SAY TWO THINGS ABOUT THIS. ONE IS I  
17 HAVE-- AS YOU MAY REMEMBER, I ASKED COUNTY COUNSEL AND OUR  
18 OTHER DEPARTMENTS TO LOOK AT A MUCH LARGER ISSUE ABOUT HOW THE  
19 COUNTY WILL RESPOND IF THE PEOPLE OF CALIFORNIA DECIDE TO PASS  
20 THE MEASURE IN NOVEMBER. THE SECOND THING IS, THOUGH THERE ARE  
21 MANY PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY WHO SUPPORTED THE USE OF THIS  
22 POTENTIAL TAX, THERE WERE MANY WHO DID NOT. AND WHEN YOU NEED  
23 A 2/3 VOTE ON SOMETHING, YOU HAVE TO RAISE \$3 MILLION FOR A  
24 CAMPAIGN, YOU HAVE TO KIND OF STEP BACK AND SAY: IS THIS THE  
25 RIGHT MOMENT TO DO IT, UNLESS YOU HAVE 100 PERCENT OF THE



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1 PEOPLE WHO CARE ABOUT THESE ISSUES SORT OF WITH YOU. SO TWO  
2 THINGS: WE WILL CONTINUE TO LOOK AT AND ENGAGE A LOT OF PEOPLE  
3 IN VARIOUS COMMUNITIES, INCLUDING THOSE WHO WORK FOR THE  
4 LEGALIZATION, IN THE INDUSTRY, THOSE WHO ARE CONCERNED ABOUT  
5 ADDICTION, EVERYBODY, ABOUT OUR LARGER REGULATORY SCHEME,  
6 WHICH WE WILL NOT ACTUALLY BE ALLOWED TO DO BY THE STATE UNTIL  
7 2018. BUT THAT ROLLS ALONG PRETTY FAST. THE OTHER THING IS, AS  
8 YOU PROBABLY KNOW, WE'RE STILL VERY SERIOUS ABOUT HOMELESS  
9 SERVICES. THE MEDIA SEEMS TO SNEEZE AT \$150 MILLION THAT WE  
10 PUT IN THIS YEAR. BUT THAT'S A BIG SNEEZE FOR ME. I THINK IT'S  
11 A LOT OF MONEY. AND THE FACT THAT IT'S ONE-TIME, I DON'T CARE.  
12 IT WAS ONE-TIME LAST YEAR, TOO, AND WE'RE GOING TO CONTINUE  
13 FINDING IT. SO WITH THOSE TWO THINGS, ALL I CAN SAY IS THIS  
14 BOARD IS QUITE SERIOUS ABOUT A REASONABLE AND SMART WAY OF  
15 REGULATING THE SALE AND DISTRIBUTION OF CANNABIS PRODUCTS. AND  
16 THIS BOARD IS VERY DEVOTED TO SERVICES FOR HOMELESS PEOPLE.  
17 THANK YOU. THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR.

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

20

21 **JOSEPH MAIZLISH:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS JOE MAIZLISH. THE  
22 MEASURE THAT'S UP FOR RESCISSION TODAY WAS-- HAD SOME DEFECTS  
23 AND PROBLEMS, BUT I WILL LEAVE TO YOUR WORK AND STUDY TOGETHER  
24 A WAY TO DEAL WITH THAT. I JUST WANT TO POINT OUT THAT THIS IS  
25 ONE OF THE SYMPTOMS AND THE RESULTS OF A REALLY IRREGULAR AND



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1 STRANGE SYSTEM FOR FUNDING LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTIVITY. THERE'S  
2 A FEE ON THIS, A TAX ON THAT, WHATEVER YOU TRY TO DEDICATE ONE  
3 THING TO ANOTHER AND A LOT OF CONFUSION. SO I HOPE THAT SOME  
4 OF YOUR ENERGIES WILL GO TOWARDS BUILDING A MORE REASONABLE  
5 SYSTEM FOR FUNDING ALL THE THINGS THAT YOU'RE TRYING TO DO,  
6 INCLUDING THE HOMELESSNESS. I HAVE-- OF COURSE A LOT OF  
7 INTERESTS ARE AT PLAY. I REMEMBER MAY 10TH SUPERVISOR KUEHL  
8 CAME OFF THE DAIS TO HUG SOMEBODY WHO WAS HOMELESS AND IS  
9 WORKING TO HELP OTHERS NOW. ON JULY 12TH SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH  
10 WENT UP TO THE EDGE OF THE DAIS AND SPOKE TO SOMEBODY WHO WAS  
11 QUITE CONCERNED ABOUT THE IMPACT OF THE PARCEL TAX ON HIS  
12 PROPERTY AND HIS HOME. ALL OF THOSE INTERESTS HAVE TO BE PUT  
13 TOGETHER. AND I THINK THAT MEANS A LOT OF INTENSE WORK AMONG  
14 ALL OF YOU. I HOPE THAT YOU DO THAT WITH THE HELP OF YOUR  
15 STAFFS AND OF COURSE WITH US FROM THE PUBLIC WHO ARE  
16 INTERESTED. THERE NEEDS TO BE SOME REGULARITY AND SYSTEM. AS  
17 FAR AS, THOUGH, THE URGENCY OF THIS MATTER, I CALL TO MIND ONE  
18 OF THE MANY THINGS I'VE LEARNED IN THIS ROOM. IN THE PAST, IT  
19 WAS IN 1993, AND THERE WAS DISCUSSION OF CUTTING THE GENERAL  
20 RELIEF ALLOWANCE TO PEOPLE. AND I RECALL SUPERVISOR MOLINA  
21 SAYING IF I'M NOT GOING TO CUT THIS, WHAT ELSE DO I NEED TO  
22 CUT INSTEAD? AND CHALLENGING THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, THE  
23 PEOPLE WHO ARE COMMENTING. I THINK IT'S A VERY FAIR CHALLENGE.  
24 HOW THAT GETS WORKED OUT, I DON'T KNOW. BUT I REMEMBER ONE  
25 THING SHE SAID. SHE SAID THAT, I WOULD MAKE A MOTION TO CLOSE



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1 THE COUNTY ART MUSEUM IF I THOUGHT I COULD GET A SECOND. WELL,  
2 I DON'T KNOW WHY SOMEBODY HAS TO WAIT FOR A SECOND IN ORDER TO  
3 MOVE SOMETHING IF THEY BELIEVE IT'S GOOD. BUT I THOUGHT THAT  
4 WAS KIND OF AN EXTREME MEASURE. BUT IT SHOWED SOME INTENSE  
5 CARE ABOUT THIS. AND AS I WALKED OUT TOWARDS TEMPLE STREET  
6 AFTER THE MEETING, I THOUGHT, YOU KNOW, EVERY PERSON IS A WORK  
7 OF ART. AND THAT'S THE POINT THAT I'D LIKE EVERYONE TO HAVE IN  
8 MIND HERE AS YOU TRY TO MIX THE VARIOUS INTERESTS TOGETHER,  
9 THE COMPASSION FOR ALL THE PARTS OF THE COMMUNITY. EVERY  
10 PERSON IS A WORK OF ART. AND THAT I HOPE HELPS YOU WITH THE  
11 TASK OF GETTING THIS THE URGENCY THAT IT NEEDS. THANK YOU SO  
12 MUCH.

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. THE LAST  
15 SPEAKER WILL BE MARSHA TEMPLE. AT THIS POINT DR. CLAVREUL. DR.  
16 CLAVREUL, PLEASE?

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18 **ERIC PREVEN:** SHE'S DIRECTED ME TO GO, IF YOU DON'T MIND.

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** DR. CLAVREUL, PLEASE.

21

22 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,  
23 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. IT'S KIND OF UNUSUAL THAT ALL YOU HAVE  
24 IS CONSENT CALENDAR SO THAT PEOPLE DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT ITEM  
25 WE ARE TALKING TO, BUT THAT'S ALL RIGHT. ON ITEM 4 ON





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1 PEPPERDINE, I WAS CONCERNED WITH SOME TERMS OF THE CONTRACT.  
2 AND I WOULD LIKE FOR YOU TO LOOK AT IT A LITTLE MORE CLOSELY.  
3 ON ITEM NO. 9, THE COMMISSION ON H.I.V., MY SAME COMPLAINT ALL  
4 THE TIME. THOSE PEOPLE ARE PROVIDING CARE TO PEOPLE WHO ARE  
5 H.I.V. POSITIVE OR ARE H.I.V. POSITIVE THEMSELVES AND SOME ARE  
6 NOT REGISTERED TO VOTE IN THE COUNTY. THAT KIND OF PUZZLED ME  
7 THAT WE HAVE COMMISSIONERS WHO ARE NOT REGISTERED TO VOTE. ON  
8 ITEM 21, THE ORDINANCE FOR DISABLED VETS, I'M TOTALLY IN FAVOR  
9 TO INCREASE TO 15 PERCENT. AND THE NEWS OF MY DEATH HAVE BEEN  
10 HIGHLY EXAGGERATED. LAST WEEK, THE COMMISSION ON DISABILITY  
11 HAD A STATEMENT THAT DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL TALKED ABOUT DRUG  
12 ADDICTION AND SO ON AND DIED OF AN OVERDOSE. I WOULD LIKE THAT  
13 TO BE CORRECTED, AND THOSE MINUTES WERE APPROVED. SO I WILL  
14 DEFINITELY APPRECIATE THAT YOU MAKE SURE THOSE CORRECTIONS  
15 OCCUR. I KNOW MANY PEOPLE PROBABLY WISH ME DEAD, BUT GIVE ME  
16 SOME TIME, OKAY? AND I HAVE TWO RESPONSE OF SOME ARTICLES IN  
17 THE PAPER, ONE HAVING TO DO WITH THE BEHAVIOR OF THE PUBLIC AS  
18 WELL AS THE PUBLIC-- I MEAN OF THE ELECTED OFFICIALS AS WELL  
19 AS THE LAWSUIT BY THE L.A. COUNTY SUPERVISOR.

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. NEXT  
22 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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24 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** HE CAN HAVE MINE.

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1   **ERIC PREVEN:** SHE IS GOING TO GIVE ME HER LAST MINUTE.

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3   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. THREE MINUTES.  
4   PROCEED.

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6   **ERIC PREVEN:** HOPEFULLY YOU WILL RESPECT THAT, SIR, AS WE ARE  
7   IN A DEEP MODE OF RESPECT HERE. IT IS 1993 WHEN SUPERVISOR  
8   MOLINA WAS SCROUNGING AROUND AS MR. MAIZLISH SAID. HOW CAN WE  
9   SAVE SOME MONEY? SHE SUGGESTED THE ART MUSEUM. IT WAS AN IDEA.  
10   I DON'T THINK SHE REALLY WANTED TO SHUT DOWN THE ART MUSEUM.  
11   BUT ONE OF THE THINGS THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DID COME  
12   UP TO DO, WHICH RELATES TO ITEM C.S.-2, MISS WICKHAM, WHICH  
13   WAS, THEY DECIDED THAT DEPARTMENT HEADS AND SUPERVISORS SHOULD  
14   NOT GET VACATION TIME ACCRUED OVER TIME BECAUSE I THINK  
15   THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO BE FULL-TIME OPERATORS. THAT IS C.S.-2,  
16   MR. SALADINO IS MAKING ALLEGATIONS, I DON'T KNOW WHAT HE'S  
17   MAKING ALLEGATIONS ABOUT. HE'S THE FORMER COUNTY COUNSEL. BUT  
18   THIS IS VERY INTERESTING. BECAUSE FINDING WAYS TO TRIM THE  
19   SUPERVISORIAL STAFFS AND STUFF IS SOMETHING THAT'S BEEN DONE  
20   HISTORICALLY IN ORDER TO FIND THE MONEY, AS SUPERVISOR KUEHL  
21   IS NOBLY TRYING TO DO IN 25-C BY RESCINDING AND WITHDRAWING IN  
22   THIS CASE, BUT SHE IS GOING TO FIND ANOTHER WAY, WE ALL ARE  
23   TOGETHER, TO FIND SOME MONEY TO DEAL WITH THAT SCOURGE ON OUR  
24   SOCIETY., THE ITEM HAD TO DO WITH, I GUESS IT'S NO. 9, WHERE  
25   WE'RE APPOINTING PEOPLE. DR. CLAVREUL MENTIONED THAT WE HAVE



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1 TO BE CAUTIOUS WHO WE APPOINT. WE'RE APPOINTING SHEILA MOORE,  
2 WHO IS OBVIOUSLY A TIRELESS VET, GOOD PERSON, I'M SURE. SHE  
3 WORKS FOR A COMPANY CALLED-- JEWISH VOCATIONAL-- DON'T WANT TO  
4 GET IT WRONG. I THINK IT'S JEWISH VOCATIONAL FAMILY SERVICES--  
5 JEWISH FAMILY SERVICES L.A. BUT THEY HAVE MULTIPLE CONTRACTS  
6 WITH THE COUNTY. SO I DON'T KNOW. I MEAN, THERE'S SO MANY  
7 TALENTED PEOPLE WHO WILL ALSO RESPECT THE AGING AND L.G.B.T.  
8 COMMUNITY. I DON'T KNOW. MAYBE IT'S OKAY, SHE WILL DO A GOOD  
9 JOB. THESE ARE ISSUES THAT ARE IMPORTANT. THE COUNTY COUNSEL  
10 IN ITEM 24 WE'RE ADDING SOME ORDINANCE POSITIONS FOR THE  
11 COUNTY COUNSEL. THEY'RE TAKING AWAY 19 AND ADDING 19 AND MANY  
12 OF THEM ARE I.T. PEOPLE, AND THEY SEEM TO BE, SO THERE'S A  
13 GENTLE UPGRADE GOING ON THERE FOR THOSE PEOPLE. BUT WE ARE  
14 ADDING TWO ASSISTANT CHIEFS TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.  
15 THERE'S ANOTHER AREA WHERE ONE COULD BE, THESE ARE NEW  
16 ORDINANCE POSITIONS THAT I ASSUME MAKE A LOT OF MONEY. WE'RE  
17 ADDING TWO R-17S WHICH IS ENOUGH TO GET YOU THROUGH A VERY  
18 GOOD YEAR OF ANYTHING YOU WANT TO DO BECAUSE IT'S A HIGH  
19 SALARY. WE'RE ADDING A SENIOR C.E.O. AND ALSO, OF COURSE, THE  
20 SUSTAINABILITY PERSON CANNOT BE A REGULAR PERSON WHO TAKES  
21 ORDINARY WAGES SO THEY'RE ALSO GETTING AN R-17. ITEM NO. 17 WE  
22 HAVE TO LOOK AT WHAT IS BEST VALUE AND FOR WHO, AS WE SIGN THE  
23 SAN PEDRO COURTHOUSE. SUPERVISOR KNABE WILL BE SUPERVISING  
24 THAT CAREFULLY SO WE WANT TO SUPERVISE HIS SUPERVISION  
25 CAREFULLY, AS WELL. ITEM 11 IS MAYOR ANTONOVICH IS FINALLY



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1 PUTTING A LITTLE PUPPY ANIMAL CONTROL CENTER ON OUT ON  
2 PITCHES, THE DETENTION CENTER, WHICH I DO APPROVE OF BUT I'D  
3 LIKE THIS TO DOVETAIL WITH MY OBSESSION WITH THE MIKE  
4 ANTONOVICH DOG SNIFFING ACADEMY. THIS IS GOING TO SAVE US A  
5 FORTUNE BECAUSE WE'RE NOT GOING TO NEED TO BUY THOSE \$10  
6 MILLION SCANNERS THAT DON'T WORK AND DON'T SCAN HALF THE  
7 PEOPLE WHO GO INTO THE FACILITIES THAT WE'RE TRYING TO KEEP  
8 SAFE. SO ITEM 15 I'D LIKE TO THANK SHEILA KUEHL FOR BRINGING  
9 UP THE CAMP SCOTT RE-JIGGER, THE LAYOUT FOR THE PROBATION  
10 KIDS. IT'S IMPORTANT AND WE SPENT SO MUCH MONEY ON KILPATRICK  
11 THAT IT SHOULD BE DONE. AND LET'S REMEMBER THE CELEBRATION OF  
12 THE SUPERVISORS BECAUSE I DO HAVE CLAVREUL'S EXTRA MINUTE.

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** TIME HAS EXPIRED.

15

16 **ERIC PREVEN:** SHE CEDED ME HER TIME. ARE WE NOT CEDING TIME?

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I'M SORRY, SIR, YOU HAD THREE MINUTES.

19 YOUR TIME HAS GONE. THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

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21 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING, ARNOLD SACHS,

22 THANK YOU FOR ENCOURAGING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND THE

23 GRANDNESS OF THE 3 MINUTES YOU ALLOW. ANYWAY, I DID HOLD

24 SEVERAL ITEMS. I HELD ITEM 13. IT MENTIONS HILDA SOLIS WANTING

25 TO DEAL WITH THE REAL ESTATE DIVISION. PART OF THIS IS ACCESS



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1 FOR CHILDREN WITH EXCEPTIONAL NEED, OF SPACE FOR CHILDREN WITH  
2 EXCEPTIONAL NEEDS. AND I BELIEVE I JUST READ IN THE NEWSPAPER  
3 ABOUT L.A.U.S.D., A LAWSUIT REGARDING THEM USING FUNDING FROM  
4 THE-- NOT NECESSARILY THAT PROGRAM BUT FOR CHILDREN WITH  
5 EXCEPTIONAL NEEDS. AND THE LAWSUIT IS THAT THEY'RE BASICALLY  
6 MISAPPROPRIATING THE FUNDING. AND THEN I'D ALSO LIKE TO POINT  
7 OUT THAT SEVERAL YEARS AGO, A COUPLE YEARS AGO, SUPERVISOR  
8 RIDLEY-THOMAS PUT IN A MOTION ON JULY 29, 2014, TO INSTRUCT  
9 THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND THE DIRECTORS OF HEALTH  
10 SERVICE AND MENTAL HEALTH TO REPORT BACK IN 90 DAYS FOR  
11 FACILITIES LOCATED ON COUNTY MEDICAL CAMPUSES THAT COULD BE  
12 MADE AVAILABLE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE  
13 HOUSING. SO I'M WONDERING WHY HE DIDN'T USE THE REAL ESTATE  
14 DIVISION THAT'S IN THE COUNTY? MAKES SENSE TO ME. KIND OF LIKE  
15 A PLAIN LANGUAGE THING. ITEM 24 REFERS TO SALARIES. NICE TO  
16 HEAR THAT YOU HAVE COST SAVINGS GOING ON, BUT WAIT. IT'S NOT  
17 COST SAVINGS. IT'S MORE EXPENSIVE. RECLASSIFICATION,  
18 RECLASSIFICATION, RECLASSIFICATION. NO PAY INCREASES, NO  
19 SALARY INCREASES, NO WAGE INCREASES, BUT WHERE ARE YOU GETTING  
20 THE MONEY FROM? ITEM 12 REFERS TO SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH  
21 WAIVING SOME PARKING AT DOCKWEILER FOR 50 VEHICLES FOR \$400.  
22 DOCKWEILER COSTS ABOUT \$8 TO PARK THERE PER HOUR, AND YOU'RE  
23 GOING TO DO IT FOR \$400 FOR THE WHOLE DAY. SO WHAT ABOUT THE  
24 OTHER 7 HOURS PEOPLE ARE PARKED THERE FOR THE \$400 THAT  
25 THEY'RE NOT GOING TO PAY? ITEM 25-C, DID YOU READ IN THE





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1 NEWSPAPER ABOUT GOVERNOR BROWN'S PLAN FOR RELAXED ZONING WITH  
2 NO PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT. THE CITY PLANS TO HAVE A BOND  
3 ISSUE WITH A PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT. WHERE DOES THE COUNTY  
4 STAND? ARE THEY GOING TO PROVIDE SERVICES WITH NO HOUSING? WHY  
5 ISN'T THE COUNTY PROVIDING HOUSING? THEY HAVE ALL THE REAL  
6 ESTATE. WHAT'S GOING ON WITH THAT? WHERE IS THE CITY GOING TO  
7 FIND HOUSING? WHERE IS THE CITY GOING TO FIND REAL ESTATE TO  
8 PROVIDE HOUSING? THEY'RE NOT. SO, SO MUCH FOR THE PLAN. BUT BY  
9 PROVIDING SERVICES, THAT'S A BUILT-IN PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT  
10 BECAUSE IT'S ALL COUNTY EMPLOYEES. AND ITEM 15, THE  
11 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET CHANGES, GRANT FUNDS AND WHEN IS THE PLAN  
12 GOING TO BE IMPLEMENTED?

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.

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16 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR ANSWERS.

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18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. NEXT SPEAKER FOLLOWED BY  
19 DARRELL KRUSE AND HERMAN HERMAN. GENTLEMEN, IF YOU'D COME  
20 FORWARD NOW, WE'D APPRECIATE IT. DARRELL KRUSE, HERMAN HERMAN,  
21 FINAL TWO SPEAKERS.

22

23 **MARSHA TEMPLE:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS I AM MARSHA TEMPLE,  
24 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE INTEGRATED RECOVERY NETWORK. AND  
25 I WANT TO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR RESCINDING THIS VOTE ON THE



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1 TAX OF THE SALE OF MARIJUANA TO FUND HOMELESS SERVICES. AS A  
2 HOMELESS SERVICE PROVIDER, I WAS VERY WORRIED THAT WE WERE  
3 SENDING A VERY WRONG MESSAGE TO OUR CLIENTS WHO WE ENCOURAGE  
4 TO TAKE STEPS TO REDUCE OR ELIMINATE THEIR DEPENDENCE ON  
5 DRUGS. SO THANK YOU FOR THAT. BUT WE'RE NOT DONE. NOW WE HAVE  
6 TO FIND ANOTHER WAY. AND THE OTHER WAY THAT IS AVAILABLE IS  
7 THE QUARTER CENT SALES TAX. I THINK THERE IS AN URGENT  
8 NECESSITY FOR THIS TAX. I'D LIKE TO POINT OUT WHEN WE TALK  
9 ABOUT THE COUNTY, FREQUENTLY WE SEEM TO BE TALKING ABOUT SOME  
10 MONOLITHIC HOMOGENOUS STRUCTURE. IT'S NOT. IT'S A PLACE WITH  
11 MANY REGIONS, MANY COMMUNITIES. SOME COMMUNITIES ARE DOING  
12 BETTER WITH THE TREATMENT OF HOMELESS THAN OTHERS. IN THE LAST  
13 HOMELESS COUNT, IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, HOMELESSNESS WAS  
14 UP BY 35.2 PERCENT. IN THE SOUTH BAY, IT WAS UP BY 10.5  
15 PERCENT. WE NEED TO DO SOMETHING NOW. THE QUESTION IS: WHAT  
16 ABOUT THE HOUSING? WELL, IF HOMELESS SERVICES INCLUDED RENT  
17 SUBSIDIES AND A CASE MANAGER, WE COULD SPEND THE MONEY THAT  
18 WOULD REDUCE HOMELESSNESS BY 50 PERCENT IN ONE YEAR. AND TO  
19 LET OUR CITIZENS CONTINUE IN FILTH AND SQUALOR IN A PUBLIC  
20 HEALTH CRISIS AND A CIVIL RIGHTS CRISIS IS UNCONSCIONABLE.  
21 FURTHERMORE, A QUARTER CENT SALES TAX IS SUPPORTED BY THE  
22 BUSINESS COMMUNITY. AND THAT IS THE BECAUSE HOMELESSNESS IS  
23 BAD FOR BUSINESS. IT'S VERY HARD TO GO INTO A BUSINESS WHEN  
24 YOU HAVE TO STEP OVER BODIES. IT'S ALSO VERY BAD FOR TOURISM  
25 IN LOS ANGELES. NOBODY WANTS TO GO TO A BEACH THAT IS LITTERED



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1 WITH THE BODIES OF PEOPLE WHO LIVE THERE. WE HAVE TO DO  
2 BETTER, AND WE HAVE TO DO BETTER NOW. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. WE'LL TAKE  
5 THE NEXT SPEAKER. ARE YOU THE FINAL SPEAKER, SIR? PERHAPS YOU  
6 ARE. I DO NOT SEE HERMAN HERMAN AT THE DAIS WHERE HE NEEDS TO  
7 BE. SIR, PLEASE PROCEED.

8

9 **DARRELL KRUSE:** THANK YOU. HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, I AM DARRELL  
10 KRUSE, AND I DIDN'T CARE IF THE MONEY WENT TO THE HOMELESS. I  
11 WAS LOOKING FORWARD TO THE TAX ON MARIJUANA AS BEING A  
12 POSSIBLE METHOD FOR YOU TO ENFORCE YOUR BAN, IF YOU HAVE A  
13 BAN. YOU CAN STILL ENFORCE IT WITH TAXING MARIJUANA. EVEN IF  
14 YOU DON'T ALLOW IT, THEY STILL HAVE TO PAY THE TAX. THAT'S THE  
15 WAY THEY HAVE BEEN DOING MARIJUANA PROHIBITION FOR YEARS. IT  
16 STARTED WITH THE MARIJUANA TAX ACT. SO YOUR TAXING OF  
17 MARIJUANA ALLOWS YOU-- GIVES YOU ANOTHER TOOL TO HELP YOU IN  
18 CONTROLLING THE DISPENSARIES. I WOULD PREFER THAT YOU WOULD  
19 REGULATE THE DISPENSARIES. I THINK THAT THE BAN IN 2010 DID  
20 NOTHING. AT THAT TIME, YOU HAD 30 DISPENSARIES. AND TONY BELL,  
21 A SPOKESMAN FOR ANTONOVICH, SAID THAT THE ACTION WILL ENSURE  
22 THAT NEIGHBORHOODS IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS ARE SPARED FROM  
23 BECOMING THE LOCATIONS OF CHOICE FOR DISPENSARIES. I WAS JUST  
24 WONDERING: DOES HE KNOW WHAT HE'S TALKING ABOUT, AND DID THAT  
25 WORK OUT? I JUST DON'T THINK HE ENSURED ANYTHING WITH THAT



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1 ACTION. BUT OTHER PEOPLE TALKED ABOUT IT. AN ATTORNEY NAMED  
2 JACQUELINE LACEY SAID "THIS ORDINANCE IS NOT A JUDGMENT ON  
3 MEDICAL MARIJUANA USE, BUT SAVES THE COUNTY RESIDENTS FROM ANY  
4 CRIME THAT A DISPENSARY WOULD BRING." CAN YOU ASK HER TO  
5 EXPLAIN HOW THAT STOPPED THE SHOOTINGS IN PALMDALE ON PEAR  
6 BLOSSOM HIGHWAY AND HOW IT STOPPED THE SHOOTINGS IN WALNUT  
7 PARK? ANYBODY HAVE A CLUE ON HOW THAT WAS STOPPED WITH THAT  
8 ACTION? THE KIRBY DECISION REAFFIRMS THAT THERE ARE NO  
9 CRIMINAL CHARGES FOR MARIJUANA SALES, DISTRIBUTION,  
10 TRANSPORTATION, MANUFACTURING OR CULTIVATING. ALTHOUGH  
11 INFRACTIONS ARE AVAILABLE UPON VIOLATION OF LOCALITIES. BACK  
12 IN MAY OF 2009, I MEAN MAY 9 OF 2006, I SAID WHEN I HAVE  
13 MARIJUANA, I AM LEGALLY ALLOWED TO DISPENSE IT, AND I DON'T  
14 THINK YOU HAVE A RIGHT TO STOP ME. I WANT TO KNOW WHETHER YOU  
15 THINK TONY BELL WAS RIGHT, JACQUELINE LACEY WAS RIGHT OR MAYBE  
16 I WAS RIGHT. A LOT OF, YOU KNOW, FOR 30 YEARS THERE WAS VEGA  
17 MEATS IN HACIENDA HEIGHTS. THEY WERE A BUTCHER. THEN THEY  
18 TURNED INTO A MARIJUANA DISPENSARY. THEY STAYED THERE FOR TWO  
19 AND A HALF YEARS. THEY LEFT FOR TWO MONTHS AND THEY HAVE BEEN  
20 BACK FOR TWO YEARS, AND YOU HAVEN'T DONE A THING ABOUT THEM.  
21 THANK YOU.

22  
23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.



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1 **HERMAN HERMAN:** GOOD AFTERNOON, AS YOU MAY KNOW, THAT MARIJUANA  
2 CAN ATTRACT PROSECUTORS. SUCH PROSECUTORS CAN'T DAMPER AND  
3 HINDER AND HARM THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY WITH SUCH  
4 FALSIFICATIONS AS SABOTAGE, CRIME AND WRONGFUL DISCRIMINATION.  
5 SO AS YOU SEE, I THE PATRIOT TODAY, SALUTE ALL THOSE AMERICANS  
6 WHO ARE HOMELESS TODAY. IT IS DESPICABLE, ISN'T IT, TO SEE  
7 FELLOW AMERICANS ON OUR SIDEWALKS AND STREETS. AND JUST RIGHT  
8 BEFORE I GOT TO THE STAGE, THE LADY SPOKE ABOUT HOW HOMELESS,  
9 HOW THEY GATHER, HOW THEY BECOME THE GADFLIES OF OUR BUSINESS,  
10 OUR NEIGHBORHOODS. THAT IS WHOSE FAULT? ANY FAULT OF OURS, THE  
11 AMERICAN PEOPLE? WHAT ARE WE DOING ABOUT IT AS AMERICAN  
12 PEOPLE? WHAT HAS THE COUNTY DONE WITH THE \$50 MILLION IT  
13 ALLOCATED TO THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES TO COME UP WITH A  
14 BUDGET OF \$100 MILLION? WHAT HAPPENS WHEN I WAS UP IN  
15 SACRAMENTO WITH MR. LENO, MARK LENO FROM SAN FRANCISCO ON  
16 ISSUE A.B.1622. AND THAT JERK FROM WHATEVER HE'S FROM, SAN  
17 DIEGO WHO STATES "I'M TRYING TO MAKE HOMELESS A PLACE OF  
18 HOMES. 1618. "NOTHING'S CHANGED.

19

20 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** SIR--

21

22 **HERMAN HERMAN:** NOTHING CHANGED REGARDING HOMELESSNESS. I AM  
23 SPEAKING ABOUT HOMELESSNESS. I'M SPEAKING ABOUT HOMELESSNESS.

24



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1    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** 13, 17 AND 23 ARE THE ITEMS YOU ASKED TO  
2    SPEAK ON.

3

4    **HERMAN HERMAN:** CORRECT, SIR.

5

6    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YOU HAVE TO LIMIT YOUR REMARKS TO THOSE.

7

8    **HERMAN HERMAN:** AND IT DEALS WITH THE ISSUE ON HOMELESSNESS AND  
9    PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN PIMPED OUT OF OUR COMMUNITIES BY CERTAIN  
10   CIRCUMSTANCES OF WHAT ITEMS I CHOSE TO SPEAK ON TODAY. SO I'M  
11   INCORPORATING IT ALL TOGETHER LIKE A GIANT ATOMIC BOMB IN MY  
12   HEAD BECAUSE IT'S TOO DIFFICULT TO NAVIGATE ALL THESE SUBJECTS  
13   WITHIN THE TIMELINE YOU GAVE ME BECAUSE YOU USE CENSORSHIP.

14

15   **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** SIR, KEEP YOUR REMARKS TO THE ITEM YOU  
16   SIGNED UP TO.

17

18   **HERMAN HERMAN:** MA'AM, I UNDERSTAND THAT, BUT IT'S CENSORSHIP  
19   TO DIALOG. I'M DIALOGUING WITH 40 SECONDS LEFT.

20

21   **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** SIR, WE'RE JUST FOLLOWING THE RULES.

22

23   **HERMAN HERMAN:** I'M FOLLOWING THE FIRST AMENDMENT. I'M  
24   FOLLOWING THE 14TH AMENDMENT.

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1 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** AND WE ARE, TOO, SIR. 13, 17 AND 23.

2 13, 17 AND 23, FOR THOSE ITEMS.

3

4 **HERMAN HERMAN:** MAY I CONTINUE, MISS CHAIR? THE CHAIR IS NOT IN

5 THE CHAIR, MISS HILDA SOLIS. I WAIT FOR THE CHAIR TO CORRECT

6 ME? ARE YOU THE CHAIR, MADAME?

7

8 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** NO, SIR, I'M NOT. THE CHAIR PRO TEM IS

9 SUPERVISOR.

10

11 **HERMAN HERMAN:** SO TO BE POLITICALLY CORRECT THAT YOU END THIS

12 DISCUSSION, AS YOU UTILIZE MY TIME FOR CENSORSHIP. A REMINDER.

13 ALL HOMELESS PEOPLE NEED YOUR SUPPORT, YOUR WILLINGNESS TO

14 MAKE AMERICA GREAT AGAIN. TRUMP, TRUMP, TRUMP.

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY KINDLY. THAT CONCLUDES THE

17 ITEMS THAT ARE BEFORE US, MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER. LET'S

18 PROCEED WITH THE DISPOSITION OF THESE MATTERS.

19

20 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** MR. CHAIR PRO TEM THE FOLLOWING

21 ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU. ITEM NO. 9, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 20,

22 21, 23, 24, 25-A, 25-B, AND 25-C.

23

24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THOSE ITEMS ARE BEFORE US. PUBLIC

25 TESTIMONY HAS BEEN HELD. IF THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS, PLEASE



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1 RECORD A UNANIMOUS VOTE ON THE ITEMS THUS READ FOR OUR  
2 DISPOSITION. MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH HAS  
3 MADE A REQUEST THAT THE CHIEF OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT HAVE THE  
4 OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD, PURSUANT TO THE EARLIER MATTER THAT  
5 WE DISCUSSED. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, THE FLOOR IS YOURS.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. CHIEF DARYL OSBY IS HERE. I'LL  
8 READ THE MOTION WHILE HE'S COMING UP AND WE ALSO WANT TO HAVE  
9 HIM GIVE US AN UPDATE. I UNDERSTAND THAT WE HAD ABOUT A 25  
10 PERCENT CONTAINMENT, OVER 33,000 34,000 ACRES. BUT LET ME READ  
11 THIS MOTION FIRST. CONTINUED HIGH TEMPERATURES WITH LOW  
12 HUMIDITY AND SEVERE DROUGHT CONDITIONS HAVE BROUGHT INCREASED  
13 RISK OF WILD LAND FIRES FOR THE MOUNTAINS AND VALLEYS OF LOS  
14 ANGELES COUNTY. AND NOW OUR FIRE SEASON IS 12 MONTHS OUT OF  
15 THE YEAR WHEN PREVIOUSLY IT WAS A FEW MONTHS OUT OF THE YEAR.  
16 THE L.A. COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT HAS SEVERAL TOOLS THAT THEY  
17 HAVE USED TO COMBAT FIRES, INCLUDING WATER DROPPING  
18 HELICOPTERS. WHILE THE HELICOPTERS SERVE AN EXCELLENT FIRE  
19 SUPPRESSION RESOURCE, THE COUNTY HAS ALSO USED SUPER SCOOPERS  
20 FOR THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THOSE  
21 HELICOPTERS. ALONG WITH CAL FIRE, WE HAVE USED AIR SUPPORT, AS  
22 WELL. THE COMBINATION OF HELICOPTERS AND SUPER SCOOPERS  
23 ENABLED THE COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT TO PROTECT LIVES AND  
24 PROPERTY. THE COUNTY CURRENTLY IS LEASING THREE PLANES FROM  
25 CANADA, AND WE ARE SCHEDULED TO HAVE THOSE ARRIVE IN EARLY



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1 SEPTEMBER. WHEN THE L.A. COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT INITIALLY  
2 BEGAN LEASING THE SUPER SCOOPERS, PURCHASING THEM WAS COST  
3 PROHIBITIVE. BUT DUE TO EXTREME ONGOING RISK OF FIRES  
4 ASSOCIATED WITH THE DROUGHT, IT'S IMPERATIVE THAT THE COUNTY  
5 FIRE RE-EVALUATE THE POSSIBILITY OF PURCHASING SUCH SUPER  
6 SCOOPERS. AND SINCE THESE AIRCRAFTS ARE A VALUABLE TOOL FOR  
7 THE REGION, WE SHOULD EXPLORE PURCHASING/LEASING AND  
8 PARTNERSHIPS WITH OUR OTHER PUBLIC ENTITIES FOR THESE SUPER  
9 SCOOPERS, ROTARY AND FIXED- WING AIRCRAFTS. IN ADDITION, THE  
10 COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT HAS COMPLETED A COMPREHENSIVE  
11 ASSESSMENT OF THEIR CURRENT AIRCRAFT PROGRAM TO PROVIDE  
12 STRATEGIC REPLACEMENT AND EXPANSION RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ROTARY  
13 AND FIXED WING AIRCRAFTS. SO I'D MOVE THAT THE BOARD DIRECT  
14 THE FIRE CHIEF AND THE C.E.O. TO REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD ON  
15 THE PURCHASING, LEASING AND PARTNERSHIPS WITH OTHER PUBLIC  
16 ENTITIES FOR THE OPERATION OF SUPER SCOOPERS, ROTARY AND FIXED  
17 WING AIRCRAFTS AND WITH THE STATUS, REPORTING ON THE COUNTY  
18 FIRE DEPARTMENT'S COMPREHENSIVE ASSESSMENT OF THEIR CURRENT  
19 AIRCRAFT PROGRAM. SO PERHAPS, CHIEF, YOU COULD COMMENT ON THAT  
20 AND GIVE US AN UPDATE ON THE FIRE?

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. CHIEF?

23

24 **DARYL OSBY:** HONORABLE BOARD, DARYL OSBY, FIRE CHIEF, LOS  
25 ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT. FIRST, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH,



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1    THANK YOU FOR YOUR MOTION. I THINK THAT WILL GO A LONG WAY IN  
2    ASSISTING THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT IN ENSURING  
3    WE'RE PROVIDING THE BEST COST-EFFECTIVE SERVICES TO THE  
4    CITIZENS HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. IN RELATION TO YOUR  
5    MOTION TO EXPLORE EXPANDING THE LEASES OF SUPER SCOOPERS,  
6    LOOKING AT POTENTIALLY PURCHASING SUPER SCOOPERS AND ALSO RE-  
7    EVALUATING OUR CURRENT FLEET AND HOW WE OPERATE HERE WITHIN  
8    THIS REGION, IN LIGHT OF THE FACT THAT WE'RE IN THE FIFTH YEAR  
9    OF AN ONGOING DROUGHT. SO THANK YOU FOR THAT MOTION. SECOND,  
10    IN RELATION TO THE CURRENT FIRE, THE SAND FIRE, THE FIRE BEGAN  
11    FRIDAY, JULY 22ND, APPROXIMATELY AT 2 O'CLOCK. WE GOT A  
12    RESPONSE FOR A [INAUDIBLE] FIRE ON THE NORTHBOUND 14 FREEWAY  
13    AT SAND CANYON, WHICH WE NAMED THE FIRE OF THE SAND CANYON. AS  
14    WE SIT HERE TODAY, CURRENTLY THE FIRE'S AT 37,473 ACRES. WE  
15    HAVE 25 PERCENT CONTAINMENT. AND WE CURRENTLY HAVE 3,048  
16    PERSONNEL ON SCENE. UNFORTUNATELY WE LOST 18 RESIDENTIAL  
17    STRUCTURES AND THERE WAS DAMAGE TO ONE STRUCTURE. WE HAD ONE  
18    CIVILIAN FATALITY. CURRENTLY WE HAVE TWO MINOR INJURIES TO  
19    FIRE FIGHTERS. BUT ON THE POSITIVE SIDE OF THIS IS THAT WE  
20    SAVED THOUSANDS OF STRUCTURES. WE SAVED THOUSANDS OF LIVES IN  
21    RELATION TO OUR RESPONSE TO THIS INCIDENT. AND WE'RE CURRENTLY  
22    IN UNIFIED COMMAND WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S  
23    DEPARTMENT, AND THE ANGELES NATIONAL FOREST AND WE'VE HAD  
24    OTHER COUNTY DEPARTMENTS ASSISTING US FROM ANIMAL CONTROL AND  
25    O.E.M. OUT THERE AT THE INCIDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. SO YESTERDAY



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1 WAS A GOOD DAY. WE ARE STILL HAVING WARM TEMPERATURES. WE ARE  
2 STILL HAVING ERRATIC FIRE BEHAVIOR. WE ARE STILL HAVING WINDS  
3 OFF THE OCEAN FROM THE SOUTH WEST FROM 15 TO 20 MILES PER  
4 HOUR. BUT ALONG THE HOMES WHERE THE FIRE HAS GONE, IT PRETTY  
5 MUCH RAN OUT OF FUEL ONCE THE FIREFIGHTERS PUT THE FIRE OUT  
6 THERE. AS THE FIRE IS PROCEEDING TOWARD THE ACTON, AQUA DULCE  
7 AREA, THE FUELS ARE LIGHTER, SO IT GIVES US AN OPPORTUNITY TO  
8 GET OUR HAND CREWS IN WITH OUR BULLDOZERS TO GET MORE  
9 CONTAINMENT. WE ARE STILL HAVING SOME CHALLENGES ON THE SOUTH  
10 SIDE OF THE FIRE WHERE THERE'S STEEPER TERRAIN AND ON THE EAST  
11 SIDE OF THE FIRE WHERE THERE'S STEEP AND INACCESSIBLE TERRAIN.  
12 BUT OUR NEXT REPORT TOMORROW SHOULD BE EVEN BETTER IN RELATION  
13 TO CONTAINMENT.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE KAGEL CANYON, TUJUNGA, ALONG WITH THE  
16 WILDLIFE WAY STATION?

17

18 **DARYL OSBY:** THOSE AREAS AROUND KAGEL CANYON, LITTLE TUJUNGA  
19 AND BY PLACERITA CANYON ARE STILL BEING EVACUATED. ALL OTHER  
20 AREAS WE ALLOWED THEM TO POPULATE LAST NIGHT. BUT THOSE ARE  
21 AREAS WHERE THERE'S STILL STEEP TERRAIN AND HEAVY BRUSH AND  
22 CANYONS. AND THE FIRE IS ACTUALLY BACKING AGAINST THE WIND. SO  
23 WE'RE PUTTING A LOT OF PERSONNEL IN THOSE AREAS TODAY TO  
24 TIGHTEN THE LINE CONSTRUCTION AND EXTINGUISH THE HOT SPOTS.



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1 WE'LL MAKE ANOTHER ASSESSMENT LATER TODAY OR TONIGHT TO MAKE A  
2 DETERMINATION THAT WE CAN REPOPULATE THOSE AREAS.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I JUST ONCE AGAIN WANT TO THANK THE QUALITY  
5 AND PROFESSIONALISM OF OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT, OUR SHERIFF AND  
6 THE UNIFIED COMMAND WITH U.S. FORESTRY. THEY'VE CHANGED SINCE  
7 THE OPERATION WHERE WE LOST THE TWO FIREMEN IN THE STATION  
8 FIRE YEARS AGO. SO THERE'S A GREAT UNIFIED COMMAND. AND THEN  
9 WE HAVE FIRE AGENCIES FROM NORTHERN CALIFORNIA, CALAVERAS IS  
10 THERE AND OTHERS. SO YOU HAVE 28 AIRCRAFT IN THE AIR. AND ALL  
11 OF OUR MUTUAL AID PACT CITIES AND COUNTIES ARE PARTICIPATING.  
12 WHAT MAKES CALIFORNIA UNIQUE ARE OUR MUTUAL AID CONTRACTS,  
13 WHICH MANY OTHER STATES DON'T HAVE. AND IT'S REALLY AN EFFORT  
14 THAT HAS HELPED US SAVE MORE PROPERTY AND SAVE MORE LIVES. BUT  
15 WE APPRECIATE YOUR LEADERSHIP, CHIEF.

16

17 **DARYL OSBY:** ABSOLUTELY. THE MUTUAL AID SYSTEM IN CALIFORNIA IS  
18 ACTUALLY A MODEL FOR THE WORLD, ACTUALLY IN RELATION TO NOT  
19 JUST WIL LAND FIRES BUT ANY TYPE OF INCIDENT, WHETHER IT BE A  
20 FIRE OR CIVIL UNREST, ET CETERA. THERE'S A LOT OF WORK THAT  
21 GOES INTO THOSE AGREEMENTS YEAR ROUND FROM THE FEDERAL, STATE  
22 AND LOCAL LEVELS FROM OUR DEPARTMENT AND OUR PARTNERING  
23 AGENCIES. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I KNOW THAT FOR THE BOARD TO  
24 RECOGNIZE THAT IN MANY INSTANCES YOU'LL SEE THE FIREFIGHTERS  
25 ON THE FRONTLINE, BUT THERE IS A LOT OF WORK THAT'S GOING ON





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1 BEHIND THE SCENES. AT THE HEIGHT OF THE INCIDENT WE HAD  
2 PROBABLY HALF OF OUR FIRE ENGINES ON THE INCIDENT. WE HAD OVER  
3 80 FIRE ENGINES IN OUR DEPARTMENT ON THE INCIDENT. WE ONLY  
4 HAVE 171 STATIONS, WHICH WE'RE PROBABLY ONE OF THE FEW  
5 DEPARTMENTS IN THE WORLD THAT CAN DO THAT, NUMBER ONE AND THEN  
6 WE'RE ABLE TO RECALL ALL OF OUR FIREFIGHTERS, GET ALL OF OUR  
7 AVAILABLE RESERVE APPARATUS IN AND FUNCTIONING IN THESE  
8 STATIONS, BECAUSE THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS WE STILL GET A  
9 THOUSAND CALLS A DAY BEHIND THE SCENES. WE STILL GET A  
10 THOUSAND CALLS. THERE'S A LOT OF WORK THAT GOES ON BETWEEN  
11 LOGISTICS AS FAR AS THE FUEL, THE WATER, THE FOOD, THE  
12 FACILITIES FOR THESE FIREFIGHTERS TO WORK IN, THE FINANCES AND  
13 PLANNING IN RELATION TO THIS AGREEMENT. SO THERE'S A LOT OF  
14 WORK THAT GOES ON BEHIND THE SCENES. BUT WE APPRECIATE YOUR  
15 ONGOING SUPPORT IN RELATION TO THESE ACTIVITIES.

16  
17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ALSO THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL AND LOS  
18 ANGELES COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT WERE ENGAGED, AS WELL.

19  
20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. SUPERVISOR KUEHL  
21 WISHES TO BE HEARD.

22  
23 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR. CHIEF, THANK YOU SO  
24 MUCH. I KNOW YOU REMEMBER IT WAS JUST LAST TUESDAY THAT WE  
25 HONORED THE DEPARTMENT AND LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES, OTHER



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1 FIRE DEPARTMENTS BUT ALSO THE MANY VOLUNTEERS AND CIVILIAN  
2 GROUPS WHO HAVE BEEN WORKING TOGETHER ON EVACUATIONS, ON  
3 PREPARATION, ET CETERA. TWO FIRES LAST WEEK, THE SO-CALLED OLD  
4 FIRE IN CALABASAS, IN JUNE, AND THE MAYWOOD FIRE, AND NOW OF  
5 COURSE HERE WE ARE AGAIN. SO WE WANT TO PRAISE YOUR DEPARTMENT  
6 PUBLICLY AND ALSO THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN WORKING TOGETHER. I HAVE  
7 SPECIFIC QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS MOTION AS YOU UNDERSTAND IT  
8 BECAUSE YOU'LL BE CALLED UPON TO DO ESSENTIALLY THE REPORT  
9 BACK. THE MOTION SEEMS TO INCLUDE ALL KINDS OF AIRCRAFT, IS  
10 THAT CORRECT? THE SO-CALLED SUPER SCOOPERS, WHICH ARE THE  
11 LARGE PLANES THAT PICK UP LARGE AMOUNTS OF WATER AND DROP THEM  
12 OFF, BUT ALSO ROTARY WOULD BE THE SMALLER AND LARGER  
13 HELICOPTERS THAT SOMETIMES WE HAVE TO USE IN THE CANYONS IN MY  
14 DISTRICT BECAUSE THE LARGER PLANES DON'T FIT. AS WELL AS OTHER  
15 KIND OF FIXED- WING AIRCRAFT. SO THIS REPORT BACK, NUMBER ONE,  
16 IS ABOUT PURCHASING, LEASING AND PARTNERSHIPS WITH OTHER  
17 PUBLIC ENTITIES FOR ALL THREE OF THOSE KINDS OF AIRCRAFT, IS  
18 THAT CORRECT?

19

20 **DARYL OSBY:** THAT'S ABSOLUTELY CORRECT. AND THE FACT BE KNOWN  
21 IS THAT WE'VE ALREADY INITIATED SOME OF THOSE CONVERSATIONS  
22 FROM THE LOCAL, STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AS IT RELATES TO  
23 COST SHARE, NUMBER ONE. BUT THEN ALSO, TWO, WE HAVE HAD THE  
24 SAME MODEL FOR SEVERAL YEARS AS ARTICULATED BY SUPERVISOR  
25 ANTONOVICH, SO WE'RE GOING TO REASSESS, RE-EVALUATE THE



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1 UTILIZATION OF OUR CONTRACTS THERE WITH THE SUPER SCOOPERS AND  
2 THE HELITANKER, AND THEN ALSO RE-ASSESS THE CURRENT  
3 HELICOPTERS THAT WE OWN BECAUSE WE'RE AT THE POINT NOW WHERE  
4 WE NEED TO LOOK AT REPLACEMENT. AND THEN POTENTIALLY EXPANSION  
5 IN LIGHT OF THE FACT THAT WE'RE IN THE FIFTH YEAR OF AN  
6 ONGOING DROUGHT, ALSO, TOO, AT THE SAME TIME THERE'S A  
7 PARTNERSHIP WITH US AND SOMETIMES WITH SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT  
8 BECAUSE ON A REGULAR DAY, SUPERVISOR KUEHL, WE HAVE THREE  
9 'COPTERS THAT ARE DEPLOYED FOR MEDICAL CALLS, ONE IN YOUR  
10 AREA, ANTELOPE VALLEY AND POMONA. SO WE NEED TO DO A COMPLETE  
11 ASSESSMENT OF OUR ENTIRE AIR OPERATIONS AND REPORT BACK TO THE  
12 BOARD.

13

14 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** BUT YOU ARE IN THE MIDDLE OF THAT DOING  
15 THAT KIND OF STATUS ASSESSMENT, RIGHT? I MEAN, I DON'T THINK  
16 IT JUST STARTS TODAY. AND I GUESS PART OF WHAT I'M INTERESTED  
17 IN IN THE ASSESSMENT OF THESE DIFFERENT TYPES OF AIRCRAFT IS  
18 SOME-- IT'S VERY DIFFICULT BECAUSE WE NEVER KNOW WHERE THE  
19 NEXT HUGE OUTBREAK IS GOING TO BE. AND THE TERRAIN IS VERY  
20 DIFFICULT. BUT SOME ASSESSMENT ABOUT WHAT KIND OF AIRCRAFT  
21 HAVE BEEN AND WILL BE UTILIZED IN OUR VARIOUS AREAS. I OF  
22 COURSE THINK ABOUT THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS, ABOUT THE TIGHT  
23 CANYONS. AND SO THE DIFFERENCE IS REALLY BETWEEN AND AMONG  
24 THESE AREAS WHERE DIFFERENT KINDS OF AIRCRAFT ARE NECESSARY.  
25 AS I RECALL, IT WAS ONE OF THE REASONS WE DIDN'T BUY FROM THE



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1 CANADIAN COMPANY OUR OWN SORT OF LARGE SUPER SCOOPERS BECAUSE  
2 IN SOME CASES WE COULDN'T USE THEM. SO WE KIND OF DECIDED TO  
3 LEASE AND SHARE. SO I'D BE INTERESTED TO SEE WHAT YOUR  
4 ASSESSMENT IS OF THE WAYS IN WHICH WE USE THE VARIOUS AIRCRAFT  
5 AND WHAT THEIR EFFICACY IS ACROSS DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE  
6 COUNTY.

7

8 **DARYL OSBY:** WELL THANK YOU. WE APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO  
9 MAKE THAT ASSESSMENT AND REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD.

10

11 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, CHIEF.

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KUEHL, SUPERVISOR  
14 ANTONOVICH, CHIEF. WE LOOK FORWARD TO THE REPORT BACK. IF  
15 THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. MADAME  
16 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE PROCEED.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ONE OTHER MOTION, MR. CHAIRMAN, WHICH WOULD  
19 MOVE THAT THE BOARD WOULD "DIRECT THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
20 TO WORK WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT,  
21 THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL, THE EXECUTIVE  
22 DIRECTOR OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,  
23 REGIONAL PLANNING AND ASSESSOR TO AUTHORIZE SECTION 8 HOUSING  
24 VOUCHERS TO THOSE QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES TO APPLY  
25 A LOCAL PREFERENCE TO THOSE INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES WHO APPLY



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1 TO H.U.D. FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDS, INCLUDING EMERGENCY VOUCHERS  
2 AND DISPATCH A RESPONSE TEAM TO EVACUATION CENTERS TO ASSIST  
3 INDIVIDUALS WHOSE HOMES WERE LOST IN THE FIRE, ASSESSING THE  
4 EFFECT OF THE FIRE, THE INFRASTRUCTURE OF THE L.A. COUNTY  
5 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS WHICH INCLUDES THE ROADS, BRIDGES,  
6 GUARDRAILS INCLUDING IMPACTS UPON INFRASTRUCTURE OF THE COUNTY  
7 FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT, INCLUDING DAMS, DEBRIS BASINS,  
8 CHANNELS, STORM DRAINS, EXPEDITE THE ISSUANCES OF BUILDING  
9 PERMITS FOR FIRE REBUILDS, ESTABLISH A ONE STOP PERMITTING  
10 CENTER FOR THOSE AREAS IMPACTED BY THE FIRE, DEVELOP  
11 CONCESSIONS FOR PROPERTY OWNERS WHOSE HOMES WERE DAMAGED OR  
12 DESTROYED IN THE FIRES INCLUDING EXTENDING DEADLINES FOR  
13 UPCOMING PROPERTY TAX PAYMENTS, ADJUSTING PROPERTY TAXES TO  
14 REFLECT THE RECENT LOSS OF STRUCTURES OR DEFERRING PAYMENTS  
15 FOR FUTURE TAX YEARS AND PROVIDE A REPORT TO THE BOARD IN TWO  
16 WEEKS. THIS IS BASICALLY SETTING UP A ONE STOP CENTER FOR  
17 THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE BEEN IMPACTED BY THIS FIRE.

18  
19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR  
20 ANTONOVICH. WE'LL TAKE THIS AS A READ-IN TO BE CUED UP FOR  
21 DISPOSITION NEXT WEEK AS IT HAS INSTRUCTIONS INVOLVED THAT DO  
22 HAVE TO BE PROPERLY NOTICED. ALL RIGHT? THANK YOU VERY MUCH.  
23 MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER.



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1   **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** ALL THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY  
2   BEFORE THE BOARD, PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE  
3   SWORN IN. IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE BEFORE THIS BOARD, DO  
4   YOU SOLEMNLY SWEAR TO TELL THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH AND  
5   NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH SO HELP YOU GOD? MR. CHAIR PRO TEM ON  
6   ITEM NO. 2, THIS IS A HEARING ON CONFIRMATION OF FISCAL YEAR  
7   2015-16 HAZARDOUS VEGETATION, WEED ABATEMENT CHARGES TO BE  
8   ASSESSED TO OWNERS OF DESIGNATED PARCELS OF LAND. THERE IS NO  
9   DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT AND NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. AND  
10   YOU DO HAVE SPEAKERS.

11

12   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. TWO  
13   SPEAKERS WISH TO BE HEARD. JUAN ALCALA. AND ARNOLD SACHS. MR.  
14   ALCALA, MR. SACHS PLEASE COME FORWARD. IF THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE  
15   WOULD BE KIND ENOUGH TO ACCOMMODATE THE SPEAKERS.

16

17   **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS. AND  
18   IT MENTIONS ON THE AGENDA ITEM THE WEED ABATEMENT CHARGES IN  
19   THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$2, 545,000 AND CHANGE AND \$3,800 AND  
20   CHANGE. THE POSTING OUTSIDE YOUR DOOR MENTIONED NOTHING ABOUT  
21   THESE AMOUNTS OF MONEY. BUT I'M JUST WONDERING IN PLAIN  
22   LANGUAGE HOW THE ASSESSMENT OF \$2 MILLION IS ARRIVED AT.  
23   THAT'S A LOT OF MONEY. I MEAN I COULD UNDERSTAND THE IDEA THAT  
24   YOU WANT TO KEEP THE HAZARDOUS VEGETATION AND WEED, BASED ON  
25   THE FIRE THAT'S GOING ON, THERE IS NO ABATEMENT THERE.





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1   ALTHOUGH I'M WONDERING IN THAT SITUATION, WHAT KIND OF  
2   PROPERTY-- IS THAT LOCATED BY THE NEW AREA THAT DISNEY IS  
3   GOING TO DEVELOP AS THEIR NEW STUDIO EFFORT AFTER THE PART  
4   THAT WAS CHANGED FROM FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT TO BUILDABLE  
5   LAND? BUT AGAIN, \$2,500,000 FOR AN ASSESSMENT ON YOUR  
6   PROPERTY? THAT'S A HECK OF A BILL TO GET IN THE MAIL TO HAVE  
7   THAT ON THE BOTTOM OF YOUR TAX BILL. "OH, AND BY THE WAY, YOU  
8   OWE US \$2.5 MILLION, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NO CREDIT CARDS  
9   ACCEPTED, AND PLEASE PAY AT THE WINDOW."

10

11   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE? SIR?

12

13   **JUAN ALCALA:** THAT'S A LOT OF MONEY JUST TO CONTROL SOME WEEDS,  
14   YOU KNOW, IT'S SO FAR RIDICULOUS. WHY DON'T YOU HAVE THE FIRE  
15   DEPARTMENT DO SOME CONTROLLED BURNS BEFORE THE FIRES TAKE  
16   OVER? SEE, IF YOU HAD DONE CONTROLLED BURNS OF ALL THESE  
17   WEEDS, YOU WON'T HAVE TO PAY \$2 MILLION, AND YOU WON'T HAVE  
18   ALL THESE WILDFIRES AROUND LOS ANGELES. BUT NO, YOU WAIT UNTIL  
19   EVERYTHING CATCHES ON FIRE. AND THEN YOU START TALKING ABOUT  
20   WEED CONTROL. AND YOU WIND UP THROWING MILLIONS OF DOLLARS  
21   WHILE YOU HAVE ALL KINDS OF PEOPLE OUT ON THE STREETS NOT EVEN  
22   HAVING, WHAT DO THEY SAY? POT TO PISS ON. THEY DON'T HAVE A  
23   POT TO PISS ON. SO WHY ARE YOU THROWING THE MONEY INTO WEED  
24   CONTROL WHEN IT CAN BE DONE IN MANY, MANY WAYS? IN SOME  
25   COUNTIES WHAT THEY DO IS HIGHER A BUNCH OF SHEEP. AND THEY GO



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1 EAT ALL THE WEEDS. AND THEN YOU DON'T HAVE TO SPEND MILLIONS  
2 OF DOLLARS ON WEED CONTROL. BUT AS POLITICIANS GO, INCLUDING  
3 DONALD TRUMP, THEY ARE BIG AND STUPID. BIG AND STUPID. SO THEY  
4 GO AROUND BOTHERING THE PEOPLE, PAY US MORE TAXES. PAY US MORE  
5 PARKING METERS. PAY US MORE, PAY US MORE. WHAT THE HELL? WHY  
6 YOU WANT ALL THAT MONEY FOR? JUST TO CONTROL THE WEEDS? THE  
7 WEEDS CAN BE CONTROLLED VERY EASILY OTHERWISE. 9 SECONDS LEFT.  
8 [EXPLETIVE], DONALD TRUMP.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

11

12 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** MR. CHAIR PRO TEM, ITEM NO. 4, IS A  
13 HEARING ON ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION TO GRANT A PROPRIETARY WASTE  
14 WATER PIPELINE FRANCHISE TO PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY, A  
15 CALIFORNIA NONPROFIT PUBLIC BENEFIT CORPORATION, TO TRANSPORT  
16 AND DISTRIBUTE WATER, RECYCLED WATER, WASTE WATER AND SEWAGE  
17 FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE YEARS. THERE IS NO DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT  
18 AND NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. HOWEVER, YOU DO HAVE  
19 SPEAKERS.

20

21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. WE'LL LISTEN TO THOSE PERSONS  
22 WISHING TO BE HEARD ON THIS ITEM, WHICH IS ITEM NO. 4, DR.  
23 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL, ERIC PREVEN AND JUAN ALCALA. AND MR.  
24 HEINTZ, IF YOU WISH TO BE HEARD, IT'S YOUR PREROGATIVE TO DO  
25 SO. THANKS VERY MUCH, SIR.



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1  
2 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU, SIR. IT'S ERIC PREVEN FROM THE THIRD  
3 DISTRICT. HERE WE ARE LOOKING AT AN ORDINANCE TO GRANT A  
4 PROPRIETARY WASTE WATER PIPELINE FRANCHISE TO PEPPERDINE  
5 UNIVERSITY, OUR TREASURED PARTNERS OUT IN THE MALIBU AREA.  
6 THIS IS A GOOD GROUP. THIS LOOKS LIKE A VERY STANDARD  
7 FRANCHISE AGREEMENT. I'VE STUDIED THEM OVER THE YEARS.  
8 ORDINARILY THEY GO TO AN OIL COMPANY OR ANOTHER KIND OF A  
9 COMPANY. BUT HERE THEY ARE GOING TO A NOT-FOR-PROFIT. I THINK  
10 IT'S A NOT-FOR-PROFIT. BUT THE PIECE THAT INTERESTED ME WAS ON  
11 I BELIEVE PAGE 21 WHICH-- IT STARTS ON PAGE 19, WHICH HAS TO  
12 DO WITH THE TRANSFERS AND ASSIGNMENTS PIECE, SECTION 6. HERE  
13 ONCE THIS IS ALL SET UP AND THEY CAN MOVE THE VARIOUS WATER  
14 AND SEWAGE TO AND FRO, AND I ASSUME CHARGE PARTNERS WHO ARE  
15 GOING TO BE RECIPIENT OF THAT BENEFIT, THEY COULD TRANSFER IT.  
16 AND IT'S A LIGHT TRANSFER PENALTY WITH SOME BOARD APPROVAL,  
17 VERY LIGHT. I THINK IT WAS LIKE \$2500 OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT  
18 OR \$5,000. SO I DON'T KNOW. I ALWAYS WONDER JUST TO MAKE SURE,  
19 I COULDN'T IMAGINE WHY THEY WOULD WANT TO GO INTO THAT  
20 BUSINESS PARTICULARLY. I ASSUME THIS IS JUST TO DEAL WITH THE  
21 ISSUES IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD THAT NEED TO BE DEAL WITH. SO THIS  
22 IS KIND OF A LITTLE PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP, I ASSUME. I  
23 JUST HOPE IT STAYS THAT WAY. I WOULD NOT LIKE TO SEE THESE  
24 GREAT LOW, LOW RATES THEN TRANSFERRED TO PERNICIOUS OPERATORS  
25 DOING BUSINESS AS THOSE GROUPS. THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. WE'LL TAKE  
3 THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. DR. CLAVREUL, PLEASE. DR. CLAVREUL  
4 PASSES. NEXT SPEAKER, DO YOU WISH TO BE HEARD?

5

6 **JUAN ALCALA:** SHE PASSES. I WISH TO BE HEARD, BUT NOT TOO MUCH.  
7 DON'T LISTEN TO ME BECAUSE I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE HELL I'M  
8 TALKING ABOUT.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT.

11

12 **JUAN ALCALA:** YEAH, SEWAGE, WATER, EVERYTHING COSTS MONEY,  
13 RIGHT? WHY DON'T YOU HAVE THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT PRINT A LOT  
14 OF MONEY AND GIVE IT TO YOU AND STOP BOTHERING THE PEOPLE?  
15 VERY SIMPLE.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT THAT CLOSES THE HEARING UNLESS  
18 THERE'S ANYONE ELSE THAT'S HERE TO BE HEARD ON ITEM NO. 4.  
19 SEEING NONE, WE'LL MOVE TO THE NEXT ITEM.

20

21 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** ITEM NO. 5 IS THE HEARING TO  
22 CONSUMMATE THE PURCHASE OF UNIMPROVED REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT  
23 9501 SOUTH NORMANDIE AVENUE, LOS ANGELES, IN THE  
24 UNINCORPORATED AREA OF WEST ATHENS, WEST WATTS FOR A PURCHASE  
25 PRICE OF \$245,000 PLUS ANY OTHER REQUIRED TRANSACTIONAL COSTS



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1 OR ESCROW FEES NOT TO EXCEED \$4,000. THERE IS NO DEPARTMENTAL  
2 STATEMENT. NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. YOU DO HAVE PUBLIC  
3 SPEAKERS.

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY KINDLY. ARNOLD SACHS, ERIC  
6 PREVEN AND JUAN ALCALA ALL WISH TO BE HEARD ON ITEM NO. 5.  
7 SIR?

8

9 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU. IT'S ERIC PREVEN HERE. I WILL NOT MISS  
10 AN OPPORTUNITY TO CELEBRATE THE GREAT SUPERVISOR FROM THE  
11 SECOND DISTRICT AND HIS EFFORTS, WHICH ARE TIRELESS TO BRING  
12 FORWARD PARKS IN WHAT WOULD BE CONSIDERED A PARK-POOR  
13 ENVIRONMENT. HERE COMES SUPERVISOR KNABE TO BE PART OF THAT  
14 TODAY. THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY. THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO  
15 PROVIDE A SMALL BASKETBALL, OR FUTBOL COURT, A SMALL SKATE  
16 PARK, A PLAY SPACE FOR YOUNGER CHILDREN WITH A SHADE  
17 STRUCTURE, PICNIC TABLES, COMMUNITY ART AND I BELIEVE IT'S A  
18 SPLASH PAD. EXERCISE EQUIPMENT WITH BIKES. GRASS AREAS OR  
19 RUNNING/WALKING PATH AND/OR BENCHES. THIS IS EXACTLY THE KIND  
20 OF THING WE NEED IN AREAS WHERE WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH OF THAT.  
21 I CAN SIMPLY SAY ONE THING, WHICH IS THANK YOU. AND ALSO THANK  
22 YOU TO MR. CHI, WHO IS THE MAN WE ARE ACQUIRING THE PROPERTY  
23 FROM. I DON'T KNOW MR. CHI. HE IS MAKING IT AVAILABLE AT THE  
24 LOW, LOW, LOW AS YOU CAN GO PRICE OF \$245,000. WHICH I HAVE  
25 NOT BENCHMARKED, BUT YOU CAN CERTAINLY COUNT ON THE C.E.O.



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1 REAL ESTATE DIVISION FOR FAIR AND EQUITABLE ASSESSMENTS. THANK  
2 YOU, MISS HAMAI FOR ALL YOUR WORK. THERE IS A \$40,000 SITE  
3 REMEDIATION CHARGE AND HOPEFULLY THAT WILL GO TO SOMEONE WE  
4 KNOW THAT HAS DONATED LIBERALLY TO THE VARIOUS CAMPAIGNS. AND  
5 THANK YOU FOR YOUR EFFORTS BECAUSE THIS REALLY IS THE  
6 IMPORTANT THING THAT WE NEED TO BE DOING. SO THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

9

10 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS. MUST  
11 BE ON A DIFFERENT PLANET BECAUSE I FIND IT SOMEWHAT OUTRAGEOUS  
12 THAT YOU HAVE SPENT \$245,000 FOR A LITTLE OVER A TENTH OF AN  
13 ACRE IN PROPERTY. AND IT'S A CAPITAL PROJECT. WITH THE NEED  
14 FOR ALL THE PARK SERVICES, YOU DID A PARK ASSESSMENT REPORT A  
15 COUPLE WEEKS AGO TO TALK ABOUT THE LACK OF PARKS IN ALL THE  
16 AREAS IN THE COUNTY. I'M SURPRISED YOU DIDN'T MENTION THAT  
17 THIS WAS ONE OF THE SAVING GRACES OF THAT PARK ASSESSMENT. BUT  
18 CONVENTIONALLY, WITH THE PARKS PROPOSITIONS THAT WE HAD FROM  
19 '92 AND '96 AND THE OVER A BILLION DOLLARS THAT WAS RAISED  
20 THROUGH THAT FUNDING, WHY IT TOOK SO LONG TO BUY THIS  
21 PROPERTY. AND THEN WE'RE ALSO REMINDED OF A PURCHASE OF SOME  
22 PROPERTY FROM A DEVELOPER PURCHASED FROM THE CITY OF L.A. FOR  
23 REDEVELOPMENT IN HOLLYWOOD. SO THAT WAS A LITTLE OVER HALF A  
24 MILLION DOLLARS, LOCATED RIGHT BETWEEN HOLLYWOOD BOULEVARD AND  
25 SUNSET BOULEVARD. I THINK IT WAS ON HIGHLAND. AND I'M THINKING





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1 A LITTLE OVER HALF MILLION DOLLARS IN PRIME REAL ESTATE.  
2 \$245,000 ON NORMANDIE AVENUE, AND IT WILL BE USED FOR A PARK?  
3 WHAT ABOUT THE PROPERTY THAT YOU HAD AUTHORIZED IN ONE OF YOUR  
4 MOTIONS TO BE TURNED OVER INTO GARDENS IN THE SOUTH CENTRAL  
5 AREA, THAT PROPERTY THAT WASN'T BEING USED COULD BE MADE INTO  
6 COMMUNITY GARDENS. THIS WOULD MAKE A PERFECT COMMUNITY GARDEN  
7 FOR THAT AREA SO PEOPLE COULD GROW HEALTHY FOOD TO ENHANCE  
8 THEIR LIFESTYLE.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

11

12 **JUAN ALCALA:** YEAH, THEY COULD EVEN GROW LEGAL MARIJUANA. SOME  
13 PEOPLE ARE ALLOWED TO GROW. HE'S RIGHT, YOU KNOW. A NICE  
14 LITTLE PLACE TO GROW YOUR TOMATOES, YOUR AVOCADOS. CAN YOU  
15 GROW BANANAS? YOU CAN GROW A LOT OF STUFF. BUT THINK. THE REAL  
16 ESTATE MARKET IS ALL WRONG. THE REAL ESTATE LAWS ARE ALL  
17 WRONG. AND THEY'RE KEEPING A LOT OF PEOPLE HOMELESS INSTEAD OF  
18 HELPING EVERYBODY. LET'S BUILD A LITTLE COMMUNITY GARDEN SO  
19 SOMEBODY CAN GROW THEIR TOMATOES. WHY DON'T WE JUST PROVIDE  
20 HOUSING THROUGH ALL THE EMPTY BUILDINGS THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO  
21 EVERYBODY? WHY DON'T WE CHANGE THE LAWS OF REAL ESTATE SO  
22 EVERYBODY HAS A PLACE TO LIVE FIRST. THAT SHOULD BE A HUMAN  
23 RIGHT. TO HAVE A PLACE TO LIVE. AND NOT TO BE YOUR NEST EGG SO  
24 THAT THE REAL ESTATE MOGULS CAN TAKE AWAY FROM YOU. WE SHOULD  
25 BUILD A SYSTEM WHERE NOBODY GOES WITHOUT HOUSING FIRST. WE GOT



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1 PLENTY OF FOOD. WE GOT PLENTY OF CLOTHING. AND WE HAVE PLENTY  
2 OF STUPID POLITICIANS TELLING US WHAT TO DO AND DERIVING HUGE  
3 SALARIES WHILE THE PEOPLE ON THE STREET HAVE NOTHING. AND IT  
4 ALL RELATES. IT ALL RELATES TO A SOCIETY THAT WOULD BETTER  
5 EVERYBODY'S CONDITION AND NOT JUST A FEW PEOPLE WITH A NICE  
6 LITTLE GARDEN. REMEMBER THE BEATLES?

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NEXT SPEAKER? HERMAN HERMAN? FINAL  
9 SPEAKER.

10

11 **HERMAN HERMAN:** MADAME CHAIR, MISS SOLIS, AS YOU'VE HEARD THE  
12 PROTESTS REGARDING DEVELOPMENT AND THOSE INVOLVED FROM THE  
13 COMMUNITY THAT SUPPRESS US WHEN IT COMES TO THE CALIFORNIA  
14 ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT, WE KNOW THAT IT AFFECTS MOST OF US  
15 WHO LIVE IN POVERTY. AFRICAN-AMERICANS, ONE IN PARTICULAR  
16 GROUP, NEXT COME THE HISPANICS AS SOME WILL CALL US, ILLEGAL.  
17 BUT WHAT ABOUT THE AMERICAN PEOPLE LIKE MYSELF THAT HAVE LIVED  
18 IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA? THE SO-CALLED GOLDEN STATE? WHAT  
19 ABOUT THE AUDITORS CONTROL TO CONTROL THOSE WHO SUPPRESS US  
20 LIKE THE MOGUL REALTORS BROUGHT OUT IN THE CALIFORNIA SECTION  
21 OF THE L.A. TIMES REGARDING WAYNE SPINDLER? WHAT ABOUT THE  
22 PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITY WHO SUPPRESS US. KNOWN TO MANY AS  
23 POLITICIANS, WHO FORGET WHAT WE LOOK LIKE, FORGET WHAT SCHOOLS  
24 WE COME FROM AND FORGET HOW TO NEGOTIATE ON BEHALF OF PUBLIC  
25 INTEREST AND PUBLIC CONCERN. THIS TROOPER AND MANY OTHERS WANT



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1 TO SEE THAT REFORM AND STABILIZATION WHEN IT COMES TO HOW TO  
2 ALLOCATE PROVISIONS SUCH AS THIS ITEM NO. 5. FIRST SPEAKER,  
3 MR. PREVEN HIT IT ON THE POINT. SEE, I DON'T HAVE TO GO ON A  
4 DONKEY SHOW AND ELABORATE ON OTHER PERSONS' POINT OF  
5 PERSPECTIVE. I'M GIVING YOU THE PERSONAL IDEA OF WHAT MY POINT  
6 OF VIEW IS FROM MY PERSONAL MIND, THE THEORY THAT GOES ON IN  
7 ME AND SAYS THAT THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG IN THIS ITEM,  
8 ESPECIALLY WHEN YOU USE THE WORD EXEMPT. EXEMPT. BECAUSE THE  
9 PUBLIC LOSES OUT, NOT ANY OF YOU. MANY OF YOU WALK AWAY WITH  
10 LITTLE ENVELOPES SLIPPED INTO YOUR POCKET SAYING THANK YOU FOR  
11 THE BUSINESS.

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THAT CLOSES THE PUBLIC HEARING, MADAME  
14 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE PROCEED.

15

16 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR PRO TEM. AT  
17 THIS TIME IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARINGS  
18 FOR ITEMS 2, 4 AND 5 AND TO MOVE THE ITEMS.

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT IT HAS BEEN PROPERLY MOVED BY  
21 SUPERVISOR KNABE. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. PURSUANT  
22 TO THE READING OF THE MATTER BY THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER. IF  
23 THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS, PLEASE RECORD A UNANIMOUS VOTE. LET'S  
24 THEN PROCEED TO THE NEXT ITEM BEFORE US.

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1   **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** ITEM NO. 7 IS CONSIDERATION OF AN  
2   APPEAL OF THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION'S DECISION TO  
3   REVERSE THE HEARING OFFICER'S DENIAL DUE TO INACTIVITY ON  
4   PROJECT NO. T.R. 066952 LOCATED WEST OF BOUQUET CANYON ROAD.  
5   ONE MILE SOUTH OF ELIZABETH LAKE ROAD IN LEONA VALLEY  
6   COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT WITHIN THE LEONA VALLEY ZONED  
7   DISTRICT. THERE IS A DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT AND CORRESPONDENCE  
8   WAS RECEIVED.

9

10   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE WILL NOW HEAR FROM  
11   THE DEPARTMENT. MA'AM?

12

13   **LYNDA HIKICHI:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE BOARD. I'M LYNDA  
14   HIKICHI WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING. ITEM NO. 7  
15   ON TODAY'S AGENDA, WHICH INCLUDES VESTED TENTATIVE TRACT MAP  
16   NUMBER 066952 AND CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NUMBER 2007-00038 IS  
17   A CONSIDERATION OF AN APPEAL OF THE REGIONAL PLANNING  
18   COMMISSION'S DECISION TO REVERSE THE HEARING OFFICER'S  
19   DECISION OF DENIAL DUE TO INACTIVITY FROM THE AUGUST 4, 2015  
20   HEARING OFFICER PUBLIC MEETING. LEONA VALLEY ESTATES, L.L.C.,  
21   THE OWNER AND APPLICANT FOR THIS PROJECT, FILED THEIR  
22   APPLICATION ON FEBRUARY 13, 2007. THE CASE WAS DENIED AT THE  
23   REGIONAL PLAN COMMISSION ON JUNE 29, 2011. THE APPLICANT FILED  
24   AN APPEAL TO THE BOARD ON JULY 11, 2011. ON OCTOBER 23, 2012,  
25   THE BOARD REFERRED THE MATTER BACK TO THE COMMISSION AND



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1 DIRECTED THE APPLICANT TO WORK WITH STAFF ON AN APPROPRIATE  
2 REDESIGN PRIOR TO THE COMMISSION'S RECONSIDERATION. SINCE NO  
3 ACTIVITY TOOK PLACE FOR AN EXTENSIVE PERIOD OF TIME, THE CASE  
4 WAS RESCHEDULED BEFORE THE HEARING OFFICER ON APRIL 15, 2014,  
5 JULY 15, 2014 AND NOVEMBER 4, 2014 DUE TO INACTIVITY. DUE TO  
6 THE SUBMITTAL OF MAP REVISIONS ON OCTOBER 28, 2014, THE MATTER  
7 WAS TAKEN OFF CALENDAR AT THE NOVEMBER 4 HEARING OFFICER  
8 MEETING. THE APPLICANT WAS GIVEN UNTIL JUNE 4, 2014 TO CLEAR  
9 THE PROJECT HOLDS AND/OR TO SUBMIT MAP REVISIONS. ON AUGUST 4,  
10 2015 THE HEARING OFFICER DENIED THE PROJECT DUE TO INACTIVITY.  
11 ON AUGUST 13, 2015 THE APPLICANT FILED AN APPEAL OF THE  
12 HEARING OFFICER'S DECISION. AT THE DECEMBER 2, 2015 PLANNING  
13 COMMISSION MEETING THE CASE WAS CONTINUED TO MAY 4, 2016 TO  
14 ALLOW THE APPLICANT TO WORK WITH STAFF AND THE SUBDIVISION  
15 COMMITTEE TO ADDRESS THE PROJECT HOLDS. SINCE THE PLANNING  
16 COMMISSION MEETING OF DECEMBER 2, 2015, THE OWNER APPLICANT  
17 HAD HIRED A NEW ENGINEER AND SUBMITTED MAP REVISIONS AND  
18 SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS ON APRIL 27, 2015 FOR THE SUBDIVISION  
19 COMMITTEE MEETING, HELD ON JUNE 2, 2016. AT THE MAY 4, 2016  
20 PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING THE COMMISSION REVERSED THE  
21 HEARING OFFICER'S DECISION OF THE DENIAL DUE TO INACTIVITY,  
22 GIVING THE OWNER APPLICANT THE OPPORTUNITY TO CONTINUE  
23 PROCESSING THE CASE. THE LEONA VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL APPEALED  
24 THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S DECISION ON MAY 3, 2016 AND THUS, WE



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1 ARE HERE TODAY FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION OF AN APPEAL FROM THE  
2 DECISION OF THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THERE ARE SEVERAL  
5 PERSONS WHO WISH TO BE HEARD ON THIS MATTER. WE BEGIN WITH THE  
6 APPLICANT. STEPHEN BOREN. THE APPELLANTS ARE STEVEN FREDERICKS  
7 AND PEGGY FULLER. IF THOSE THREE PEOPLE WOULD COME FORWARD.  
8 THEY WILL BE FOLLOWED BY THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS. COLLIN  
9 NEMEROFF, FRED CUNNINGHAM. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, IF YOU WOULD  
10 JUST BE READY TO COME UP, THAT WOULD BE APPRECIATED. KARL  
11 PEARCY. ALEXIS UPTON-KNITTLE. MARCY WATTON. RICHARD THOMAS.  
12 GEORGIA SHNELL. ERIC PREVEN. ARNOLD SACHS. RICHARD THOMAS.  
13 JUAN ALCALA IN THAT ORDER, PLEASE. PLEASE PROCEED, SIR.

14

15 **STEPHEN BOREN:** OKAY. I BELIEVE I'M FIRST, STEPHEN BOREN.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THAT IS CORRECT.

18

19 **STEPHEN BOREN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME. I REPRESENT  
20 THE PROPERTY OWNER. HERE WITH ME TODAY ARE TWO OF THE OWNERS,  
21 MR. JEFFREY BOREN AS WELL AS MR. JIM DECKER. THE APPEAL THAT  
22 WAS REVERSED ON MAY 4 OF 2016-- THE FACT THAT THERE WAS  
23 REVERSAL WAS UNANIMOUS. AND I WILL POINT OUT THAT BACK ON  
24 DECEMBER 2ND OF 2015 THERE WAS AN OPPORTUNITY THAT WAS GIVEN  
25 BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION TO PROCEED WITH THE PROJECT, WHICH





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1 IS EXACTLY WHAT WE HAVE DONE. DAY AFTER DAY, EVERY SINGLE DAY  
2 STANTEC, WHO WAS HIRED, PROCEEDED WITH THE PROJECT AND  
3 PROCEEDED TO PROCESS THE APPLICATION. AND I WILL NOTE FROM THE  
4 APPEAL THAT WAS FILED BY THE LEONA VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL, THEY  
5 DO NOT ADDRESS IN ANY WAY ALL OF THE WORK THAT HAS BEEN DONE  
6 DAY AFTER DAY FOR THE LAST SIX MONTHS. THEY SIMPLY IGNORE IT  
7 BECAUSE STAFF IS IN SUPPORT OF THE PROJECT, THE PLANNING  
8 COMMISSION WAS UNANIMOUS IN THEIR DECISION, AND THAT IS  
9 BECAUSE THE APPLICANT, THE PROPERTY OWNER, SIMPLY WANTS TO  
10 PROCEED WITH ITS APPLICATION TO SUBMIT ON THE MERITS ITS MAP  
11 FOR THIS PROJECT. IMPORTANTLY, THE MERITS ARE NOT THE SUBJECT  
12 OF THIS HEARING. ALL THAT IS THE SUBJECT IS WHETHER OR NOT  
13 ACTIVITY HAS OCCURRED. AND AS MS. HIKICHI, THE REPORT POINTS  
14 OUT, THE APPLICATION HAS OCCURRED AND THE PROCESS HAS OCCURRED  
15 AND THEY HAVE DONE EVERYTHING THAT HAS BEEN ASKED. AND IN FACT  
16 WHEN WE TAKE A LOOK AT WHAT'S BEEN DONE, HOLDS THAT WERE THERE  
17 HAD BEEN REMOVED AND EVERYTHING ALONG THE WAY IS PROCEEDING  
18 ACCORDINGLY. AND I WILL SUBMIT THAT TO MY RIGHT IS THE  
19 GENTLEMAN FROM STANTEC, FRED CUNNINGHAM, WHO WILL PROVIDE THE  
20 DETAILS OF ALL THE WORK THAT HAS BEEN DONE OVER THE LAST SIX  
21 MONTHS IN CONTINUING TO PROCESS THIS APPLICATION. IMPORTANTLY,  
22 I THINK IT'S VERY IMPORTANT TO FOCUS ON THE SCOPE OF THE LEONA  
23 VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL'S APPEAL BECAUSE ALL THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT  
24 IS ACTIVITY. AND THE ACTIVITY, IT CANNOT BE DISPUTED THERE HAS  
25 BEEN SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY. HOLDS HAVE BEEN REMOVED AND THE



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1 APPLICATION IS CONTINUING TO BE PROCESSED. AND SO I WOULD  
2 SUBMIT THAT THE APPEAL SHOULD BE DENIED AND THAT MY CLIENT  
3 SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO PROCEED WITH ITS PROJECT AS IT HAS BEEN  
4 DOING FOR A VERY LONG TIME. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. YOU  
7 REPRESENT THE APPLICANT. WE WILL NOW HEAR FROM THE THE  
8 APPELLANTS. MR. FREDERICKS AND MS. FULLER.

9

10 **STEVEN FREDERICKS:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS STEVEN FREDERICKS.  
11 I'M WITH THE LEONA VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL. AND I'D LIKE TO JUST  
12 DRAW YOUR ATTENTION FOR ONE MOMENT TO THE CENTER AISLE A  
13 COUPLE ROWS OF PEOPLE THAT HAVE COME DOWN HERE FROM LEONA  
14 VALLEY TO SUPPORT THIS APPEAL. MANY MORE WOULD HAVE BEEN HERE  
15 WERE IT NOT FOR THE FACT THAT THEY'RE ASSISTING WITH THE  
16 EVACUATION AND RELOCATION OF ANIMALS FROM THIS SAND FIRE.  
17 WE'RE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE LENGTH OF TIME THIS PROJECT HAS  
18 BEEN ON THE BOOKS. AS NOTED, THE PROJECT BEGAN IN 2007, SOME  
19 9-1/2 YEARS LATER NOW, THEY ARE STILL NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH  
20 ALL THE MANDATES ISSUED BY THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT. THERE HAS  
21 BEEN CONTINUANCE AFTER CONTINUANCE AFTER CONTINUANCE DURING  
22 THE WHOLE 9-1/2 YEARS WITH LITTLE TO NO ACTIVITY. RECENTLY  
23 STANTEC HAS BEEN HIRED BY THE OWNER. THERE HAS BEEN SOME  
24 RECENT ACTIVITY. AND I THINK IT COULD BE ARGUED ABOUT THE  
25 SIGNIFICANCE OF THE ACTIVITY. WE'RE STILL LOOKING AT MAJOR



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1 ISSUES WITH PERCOLATION TESTS, WITH WATER AVAILABILITY, WITH  
2 MAJOR GRADING ISSUES. THIS AREA IS IN A SIGNIFICANT EARTHQUAKE  
3 ZONE. IT HAS SINCE BEEN DESIGNATED AS A SIGNIFICANT ECOLOGICAL  
4 AREA. THIS AREA ALSO HAS BEEN-- THIS PROJECT HAS BEEN  
5 DESIGNATED AS A PRIVATE COMMUNITY WITH A HOMEOWNER'S  
6 ASSOCIATION, WHICH WOULD NEGATE THE ALLOWANCE OF LOCAL  
7 RESIDENTS TO USE THOSE STREETS FOR EITHER INGRESS OR EGRESS  
8 OUT OF THE AREA AS WELL AS ACCESS TRAILS THAT ARE USED BY THE  
9 COMMUNITY. SO WE'RE VERY CONCERNED THAT THIS PROJECT HAS BEEN  
10 ALLOWED TO GO ON FOR A SEEMINGLY INDEFINITE PERIOD OF TIME.  
11 AND ONE HAS TO ASK THE QUESTION, AT WHAT POINT DO WE SAY  
12 ENOUGH TIME HAS BEEN GIVEN TO THIS, OR ANY PROJECT? IT IS TIME  
13 TO STOP. AND IF YOU'RE SINCERELY INTERESTED IN CONTINUING,  
14 THEN NOW YOU GO START OVER. MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE  
15 REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION. AND NOW WE HAVE A NEW TOWN AND  
16 COUNTRY PLAN THAT WOULD SIGNIFICANTLY ALTER THE SCOPE OF THIS  
17 PROJECT. THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. WE'LL HEAR  
20 THE NEXT SPEAKER. MA'AM?

21

22 **PEGGY FULLER:** THANK YOU, I'M PEGGY FULLER FROM THE LEONA  
23 VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL. I HAD SUBMITTED ABOUT 40 LETTERS AND  
24 EMAILS FROM OUR COMMUNITY RESIDENTS, ALL IN SUPPORT OF THE  
25 LEONA VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL'S APPEAL IN THIS MATTER AND OPPOSING



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1 THE PROJECT. IT'S CORRECT THAT OUR APPEAL DOES NOT ADDRESS  
2 WHAT HAS HAPPENED IN THE LAST SIX MONTHS. THAT'S BECAUSE IT'S  
3 NOT RELEVANT. WHAT WE'RE LOOKING AT TODAY IS WHETHER OR NOT  
4 THE HEARING OFFICER WAS CORRECT WHEN SHE DENIED THE PROJECT.  
5 THAT WAS ALMOST A YEAR AGO. AND AT THAT TIME THE FACTS WERE  
6 THAT NO ACTIVITY OR VERY LITTLE ACTIVITY HAD BEEN OCCURRING  
7 FOR A PERIOD OF EIGHT YEARS DESPITE REPEATED CONTINUANCES AND  
8 OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE OWNERS TO SHOW SOME TYPE OF ACTIVITY.  
9 THE APPLICANT, AS I SUSPECTED IS ENCOURAGING YOU TO LOOK AT  
10 WHAT THEY'VE DONE IN THE LAST SIX MONTHS. THERE ARE PROBLEMS  
11 WITH THAT, ALSO. THEY DID FINALLY MEET WITH THE TOWN COUNCIL  
12 TWO WEEKS AGO AND SHOWED US A MAP THEY'RE WORKING ON. AND  
13 CLAIMED THAT THEY HAD CLEARED A LOT OF THE HOLDS ON THE  
14 PROJECT. HOWEVER, THEY REFER TO A LOT OF THE HOLDS AS JUST  
15 DESIGN CHANGES. AND, IN FACT, THEY ARE FUNDAMENTAL  
16 REQUIREMENTS. WATER SUPPLY, SEPTIC. GRADING. AND THE SAME  
17 DEPARTMENTS IN THE COUNTY HAVE ASKED FOR THOSE THINGS TO BE  
18 ADDRESSED FOR THE PAST NINE YEARS AND THEY ARE STILL NOT  
19 ADDRESSED.

20  
21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WE DO THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.

22  
23 **PEGGY FULLER:** THEY DIDN'T START THE TIME OVER WHEN I STARTED  
24 TALKING.



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1   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YOU HAD A COMBINED TIMEFRAME OF FOUR  
2   MINUTES BETWEEN THE TWO APPLICANTS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.  
3   PLEASE LEAVE YOUR TESTIMONY FOR THE FOR THE RECORD IF YOU  
4   LIKE, YOUR WRITTEN TESTIMONY. WE'LL PROCEED TO THE BALANCE OF  
5   THE SPEAKERS AS THEY HAVE NOW BEEN CALLED. MA'AM, YOUR NAME?  
6   PLEASE.

7

8   **MARCY WATTON:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS MARCY WATTON. AND I  
9   JUST WANTED TO POINT OUT AS A RESIDENT OF THE IMMEDIATE AREA  
10  IN QUESTION, I WOULD ASK THAT YOU REJECT THE VALLEY VINEYARD  
11  TRACT FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS. THE VALLEY VINEYARDS TRACT  
12  HAS BEEN IN THE APPEAL PROCESS FOR THE LONGEST AMOUNT OF TIME  
13  IN THE HISTORY OF REGIONAL PLANNING, AS I KNOW IT, AS FAR AS I  
14  KNOW. IT'S BEEN IN REGIONAL PLANNING FOR OVER NINE YEARS AND  
15  IT HAS BEEN IN APPEAL AND REVISION PROCESS FOR THAT WHOLE  
16  ENTIRE TIME. THE REASON FOR THIS EXTENDED AMOUNT OF TIME IS  
17  TWOFOOLD: THE DEVELOPERS HAVE NOT MET THE CRITERIA FOR REGIONAL  
18  PLANNING AND THE APPEAL PROCESS HAS BEEN ALLOWED TO DRAG ON  
19  AND ON. BECAUSE OF THEIR LACK OF COMPLIANCE IN EVERY ASPECT OF  
20  THE PLANNING PROCESS, VALLEY VINEYARDS SHOULD BE REQUIRED TO  
21  START THE PROCESS OVER IN ORDER TO GET IT RIGHT, INSTEAD OF  
22  SHOWING UP WITH THE SAME ILL-CONCEIVED IDEA WITH ONLY MINOR  
23  CHANGES AT EVERY HEARING. THE VALLEY VINEYARDS TRACT WILL  
24  CHANGE THE CHARACTER OF THE COMMUNITY AND DEVALUE THE EXISTING  
25  RURAL PROPERTIES. I LIVE ON LOST VALLEY RANCH ROAD, WHICH IS



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1    ACCESSED VIA THE EASEMENT THROUGH THE VALLEY VINEYARDS TRACT.  
2    DURING THIS TIME, THE STATUS AND VALUE OF MY PROPERTY HAS BEEN  
3    IN LIMBO. IF THE CITY-STYLE TRACT IS ALLOWED TO BE DEVELOPED  
4    IN OUR RURAL COMMUNITY, NOT ONLY WILL IT CHANGE THE ENTIRE  
5    CHARACTER OF OUR COMMUNITY, BUT BECAUSE OF MY PROXIMITY TO  
6    THIS ATROCITY, IT WILL DIRECTLY NEGATIVELY AFFECT THE VALUE OF  
7    MY RURAL FIVE-ACRE PROPERTY. PEOPLE MOVE TO THIS COMMUNITY  
8    BECAUSE IT IS NOT TRACT HOUSING AND BECAUSE IT IS NOWHERE NEAR  
9    TRACT HOUSING. IT IS HARD TO UNDERSTAND HOW A GROUP OF  
10   ATTORNEYS FROM BEVERLY HILLS CAN BE ALLOWED TO MAXIMIZE THEIR  
11   PROFIT AT THE EXPENSE OF ALL THE EXISTING HOMEOWNERS. WE ARE  
12   YOUR CONSTITUENTS, TOO. BY CRAMMING AS MANY HOUSES AS THEY CAN  
13   ONTO A TRACT THAT WAS ORIGINALLY ZONED FOR 40 RURAL HOME  
14   SITES. THEY HAVE NO STAKE IN THIS COMMUNITY BEYOND PROFITING  
15   FROM THE ZONING VARIANCE AND NONE OF THEM WILL EVER LIVE HERE  
16   ONCE THEIR MONEY IS MADE.

17

18   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. YOUR TIME  
19   HAS EXPIRED. FEEL FREE TO LEAVE YOUR DOCUMENTS FOR THE RECORD.  
20   NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE? SIR?

21

22   **FRED CUNNINGHAM:** FRED CUNNINGHAM WITH STANTEC CONSULTING. WE  
23   WERE HIRED IN JANUARY 2016 IN RESPONSE TO THE PLANNING  
24   COMMISSION'S PUBLIC HEARING DECEMBER 2, 2015 OF LAST YEAR.  
25   THAT WAS THE CONSIDERATION OF THE APPEAL OF THE HEARING





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1 OFFICER'S INTENT TO DENY FOR INACTIVITY. THE PLANNING  
2 COMMISSION DIRECTED THE APPLICANT AND THEREFORE US TO HAVE SIX  
3 MONTHS TO DEMONSTRATE ACTIVITY. IN THAT TIME WE MET WITH  
4 DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING MULTIPLE TIMES, PUBLIC WORKS,  
5 ALL OF THEIR VARIOUS AGENCIES, HEALTH DEPARTMENT, FIRE  
6 DEPARTMENT AS WELL AS CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE TO MOVE THE  
7 BALL FORWARD. THAT WAS THE THREE-MONTH EFFORT, CULMINATING IN  
8 A TENTATIVE TRACT MAP SUBMITTAL APRIL 27TH OF THIS YEAR IN  
9 WHICH CASE WE RESPONDED TO AS MANY AS 69 PUBLIC-- EXCUSE ME,  
10 REGIONAL PLANNING COMMENTS FROM THE ORIGINAL 2014 MAP. IN  
11 RESPONSE, THE DESIGN HAS BEEN REDUCED FROM 117 DOWN TO 84  
12 UNITS. WE REMOVED ALL MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING. WE'VE REMOVED  
13 GATES. WE STILL HAVE PRIVATE STREETS THAT ARE OPEN FOR PUBLIC  
14 ACCESSIBILITY. WE'VE NARROWED THE STREETS TO BE COMPLIANT WITH  
15 THE COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT, INCLUDING 1-1/2 ACRE MINIMUM  
16 LOT SIZES IN A RURAL CONFIGURATION. WE'VE REDUCED GRADING BY  
17 10 PERCENT. WE'VE BALANCED THE GRADING. WE'VE INCREASED OPEN  
18 SPACE. THE LATEST SUBDIVISION COMMITTEE REPORT REDUCED THE 69  
19 ISSUES DOWN TO I BELIEVE 29 ISSUES. WE'VE SINCE MET WITH STAFF  
20 IN TERMS OF THE NEXT ITERATION OF THE TENTATIVE TRACT MAP  
21 WHICH WE'RE PREPARED TO DO AND I THINK WE'RE DOWN FROM 69 DOWN  
22 TO 29 DOWN TO 6 REMAINING ISSUES. WE'VE MADE SIGNIFICANT  
23 PROGRESS. WE MAKE PROGRESS EVERY DAY. WE LOOK FORWARD TO  
24 BRINGING THIS CASE BACK BEFORE THE REGIONAL PLANNING



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1 COMMISSION FOR CONSIDERATION AS WAS YOUR DIRECTION WHEN IT WAS  
2 APPEALED LAST BEFORE THIS BOARD. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. WE'LL TAKE  
5 THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

6

7 **GEORGIA SHNELL:** HELLO, MY NAME IS GEORGIA SHNELL AND I'M HERE  
8 ON BEHALF OF TERRENCE D. KENNEY. HE WRITES, " DEAR SUPERVISORS  
9 ANTONOVICH, KNABE, KUEHL, RIDLEY-THOMAS AND SOLIS. MY NAME IS  
10 TERRENCE D. KENNY AND I HAVE BEEN A PROPERTY OWNER, BUSINESS,  
11 RESIDENT, RANCHER SINCE FEBRUARY 2000. I DO NOT HAVE A BETTER  
12 WAY TO PHRASE IT BUT PLEASE LET IT BE KNOWN THAT I VERY  
13 STRONGLY OPPOSE THE ABOVE MENTIONED PROJECT. HAVING BEEN A  
14 MEMBER OF THE LEONA VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL 8 YEARS OF MY  
15 RESIDENCE, WHICH MY MOST RECENT TERM BEING 2012-2014 TERM.  
16 DURING MY YEARS OF TENURE ON THE TOWN COUNCIL, I HAVE BEEN  
17 WITNESS TO THE OVERLY AMBITIOUS ATTEMPTS BY THE DEVELOPER TO  
18 PROMOTE THIS FLAWED PROJECT TO THE COUNTY FOR FAR TOO LONG.  
19 VALLEY VINEYARD PROJECT HAS PROVEN THEMSELVES TO BE VERY  
20 DISINGENUOUS THROUGH THE VERY TRANSPARENT AND FUTILE THE  
21 BAMBOOZLE THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. ONE OF  
22 THE STIPULATIONS MANDATED BY THE L.A.C.B.S. WAS FOR THE V.D.P.  
23 TO ATTEND OUR MONTHLY TOWN COUNCIL MEETING AND KEEP US ADVISED  
24 AS TO THE PROGRESS AND OF THE CHANGES MANDATED BY THEM. DURING  
25 MY RECENT TERM ON THE TOWN COUNCIL, I SERVED AS SECRETARY. I



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1 ASKED THAT EACH MEETING IF THE REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE V.D.P.  
2 WAS PRESENT. THERE WAS NOT. OUR MINUTES REFLECT THE SAME. THIS  
3 PROJECT WAS DENIED BY THE L.A.C.B.S. IN 2011 BUT PERMISSION  
4 WAS GIVEN TO REDESIGN THE PROJECT. TO DATE, OTHER THAN  
5 SEEMINGLY JUST CHANGING THE COLOR OF THE PAPER, NONE OF THE  
6 TOWN COUNCIL OR THE L.A.C.B.S. CONCERNS HAVE BEEN ADDRESSED.  
7 THESE VERY EXPENSIVE HEARINGS HAVE DEMONSTRATED PROOF THAT  
8 THERE HAVE BEEN NO GOOD FAITH ATTEMPTS TO SATISFY THESE  
9 CONCERNS. OUR TOWN COUNCIL HAS LIMITED FUNDS AND THE CONSTANT  
10 MONITORING OF THIS PROJECT IS VERY DRAINING UPON OUR LIMITED  
11 SUPPLY RESOURCES, IN ADDITION TO WHICH TAXPAYERS, YOUR  
12 CONSTITUENTS, ARE ALSO HELPING TO FUND THIS TERRIFIC WASTE OF  
13 TIME AND MONEY. RECOGNIZING THAT YOUR VALUABLE TIME IS BETTER  
14 SERVED BY FOCUSING ON OTHER PROJECTS IN YOUR DISTRICT, I WILL  
15 NOT SUMMARIZE ANY MORE THAN THE OBVIOUS FLAWS ASSOCIATED WITH  
16 THIS PROJECT. PLEASE COLLECTIVELY STEP TO UP THE PLATE AND  
17 DEMONSTRATE YOUR WILLINGNESS TO SUPPORT OUR CONCERNS AND DENY  
18 THIS PROJECT."

19  
20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. WE'LL TAKE  
21 THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

22  
23 **ALEXIS UPTON KNITTLE:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS ALEXIS UPTON  
24 KNITTLE. I'M A LONG TIME RESIDENT OF LEONA VALLEY SINCE 1998.  
25 AND I WOULD LIKE FOR THE L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS KNOW



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1 THAT I OBJECT TO THE VALLEY VINEYARD PROJECT. AS A FORMER  
2 LEONA VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL MEMBER, I HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN  
3 REVIEWS, DOCUMENTS, HEARINGS AND COMMUNITY MEETINGS OVER THE  
4 LAST NINE YEARS REGARDING VALLEY VINEYARDS. THE PROJECT HAS  
5 BEEN DENIED BY REGIONAL PLANNING FOR A NUMBER OF REASONS AND  
6 THE HOLDS HAVE BEEN EXPOSED IN THE PAST. THE ISSUES WHICH  
7 CONCERN ME INCLUDE: THE PROJECT WILL INCREASE THE SIZE OF OUR  
8 COMMUNITY DRAMATICALLY, INCLUDING THE MULTI-UNIT ASPECT, WHICH  
9 ALL OF OUR PROPERTIES ARE ZONED A-2, WHICH IS HEAVY  
10 AGRICULTURE, WHICH ALLOWS MOSTLY FOR EQUESTRIAN, FARMING AND  
11 RANCHING AND ORCHARDS. THE BURDEN OF TRAFFIC, CONGESTION,  
12 WATER RUNOFF AND SEPTIC MANAGEMENT WOULD CHANGE OUR RURAL  
13 NATURE AND POTENTIALLY CAUSE ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGE. WATER  
14 AVAILABILITY AND HIGH RATES ALREADY PLAGUE LEONA VALLEY WHICH  
15 IS EITHER THE SECOND OR FIRST HIGHEST RATE PAYER FOR WATER IN  
16 THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. THE VALLEY VINEYARD PROJECT WOULD  
17 EXACERBATE THIS SITUATION BECAUSE WE'RE NOT CLEAR WHO THEIR  
18 WATER PURVEYOR WOULD BE. IT SEEMS EVIDENT THAT THE OWNER OF  
19 VALLEY VINEYARDS PROPERTY WANTS TO ENSURE THIS PROJECT GOES  
20 THROUGH WITHOUT REGARD FOR THE COMMUNITY CONCERNS AND HAVE PUT  
21 FORTH MISINFORMATION AT TIMES. REGIONAL PLANNING HAS ASKED  
22 THAT THESE ISSUES, AND MANY OTHERS BE ADDRESSED AND THE OWNERS  
23 OF VALLEY VINEYARDS HAVE FAILED OVER THIS PROTRACTED PERIOD OF  
24 TIME TO RESOLVE PLANNING'S REQUIREMENTS. WE KNOW THAT WE ARE A  
25 VOCAL GROUP, BUT IT IS WITH GOOD REASON. WE PICKED THIS WAY OF



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1 RURAL LIFE TO OFFER OUR FAMILIES A SAFE HAVEN WHERE THE VALUES  
2 OF OUR PIONEERING FOUNDERS STILL EXIST. OUR CHILDREN CAN GROW  
3 UP WITH RESPECT FOR ANIMAL AND HUMAN LIFE, CLEAR SKIES, LOW  
4 CRIME, CONNECTION TO THE EARTH AND SO FORTH. DO NOT JEOPARDIZE  
5 OUR WAY OF LIFE FOR A PROJECT THAT CLEARLY HAS NO MERITS TO  
6 ENHANCE LEONA VALLEY.

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

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10 **COLLIN NEMEROFF:** HI, MY NAME IS COLIN NEMEROFF. AND I BELIEVE  
11 THAT STEVE BOREN AND FRED CUNNINGHAM ALREADY HIT ON THE MAJOR  
12 POINTS. HOWEVER, I JUST WANT TO POINT OUT THAT THIS HEARING  
13 TODAY IS NOT ABOUT THE MERITS OF THE PROJECT. IT'S REGARDING  
14 WHETHER OR NOT PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE SINCE THIS PAST  
15 DECEMBER. IN THE PAST SIX MONTHS THERE'S BEEN A SIGNIFICANT  
16 AMOUNT OF PROGRESS IN ADVANCING THIS PROJECT, INCLUDING SIX OR  
17 SEVEN MEETINGS WITH AGENCY STAFF, PLANNING, PUBLIC WORKS, THE  
18 WATER COMPANY AND OTHERS. I THINK THAT THE APPLICANT HAS  
19 ADDRESSED MANY OF THE CONCERNS THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL HAS HAD.  
20 AND WE HAVE ACTUALLY MET WITH THE LAND USE COMMITTEE OF THE  
21 LEONA VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL. WE'RE COMMITTED TO STAYING ENGAGED  
22 WITH THE COMMUNITY AND FURTHER ADVANCING THIS PROJECT AND  
23 ADDRESSING THE HOLDS THAT THE SUBDIVISION COMMITTEE HAS. THANK  
24 YOU.

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1   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER? HERMAN HERMAN WHO  
2   WISHES TO BE HEARD. YOU'RE NOTIFIED THAT YOU HAVE THE  
3   OPPORTUNITY. SIR, PLEASE PROCEED.

4

5   **KARL PEARCY:** HELLO, THANK YOU. MY NAME IS KARL PEARCY,  
6   RESIDENT OF THE LEONA VALLEY. FIRST OFF, IT'S A PRIVILEGE AND  
7   PLEASURE TO SPEAK BEFORE YOU TODAY. AND I'D CERTAINLY LIKE TO  
8   TAKE MY FIRST OPPORTUNITY TO THANK THE SUPPORT WE'VE HAD FROM  
9   NORM HINKLING AND SIR MICHAEL ANTONOVICH OVER THE YEARS. I'VE  
10   TRIED TO BE ACTIVE WITH OUR TOWN COUNCIL SINCE ITS INCEPTION  
11   AND EVEN BEFORE THAT, OUR TOWN FACED MOST OF ITS PROBLEMS  
12   THROUGH OUR LEONA VALLEY IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION. IN THE MID  
13   '80S WE HAD A LOT OF ACTIVITY WITH HOUSING AND DEVELOPMENTS,  
14   AND IT WAS AT THE EXPRESS SUGGESTION OF MR. ANTONOVICH,  
15   THROUGH I THINK IT WAS, BOB [INAUDIBLE] THAT WE FORMED OUR  
16   TOWN COUNCIL. OUR TOWN COUNCIL-- WELL FIRST I WANT TO SAY I  
17   LEARNED SOMETHING A LITTLE WHILE AGO. ONE OF YOUR RESIDENT  
18   SPEAKERS MADE A COMMENT ABOUT EVERYTHING COSTS MONEY. OUR  
19   COMMUNITY IS ALL VOLUNTEER. BY DEFINITION, WE ARE NOT PAID. WE  
20   HAVE GONE THROUGH ISSUES LIKE BUILDING OUR COMMUNITY STANDARDS  
21   DISTRICT WELL OVER 65 MEETINGS, PUBLIC MEETINGS OVER YEARS,  
22   ALL VOLUNTEER. WE HAVE WATER RATE INCREASES. WE SEND A  
23   REPRESENTATIVE TO SACRAMENTO AREA EVERY THREE YEARS, ALL  
24   VOLUNTEER. THE HUNDREDS AND THOUSANDS OF DOCUMENTS, THE PILES  
25   AND REAMS OF INFORMATION THAT WE SIFT THROUGH AND PROVIDE BACK





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1 TO THE VARIOUS AGENCIES TO SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY IS JUST  
2 UNTOLD. IT'S FREE AND IT'S DONATED. THIS VALLEY VINEYARDS  
3 PROJECT HAS BEEN ACTIVE FOR SEVERAL YEARS. WE'VE ADDRESSED  
4 MANY OF THEIR TOPICS AND DEMANDS AND DOCUMENTS ON TIME AT  
5 BUDGET. AND I WOULD JUST LIKE TO SEE THE COUNTY CONTINUE WITH  
6 THEIR DEADLINE ON THIS ISSUE.

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY, SIR. WE'LL  
9 TAKE THE BALANCE OF THE SPEAKERS AT THIS POINT. SIR?

10

11 **RICHARD THOMAS:** HI, MY NAME IS RICH THOMAS. I'M A MEMBER OF  
12 THE LEONA VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL. AS A MATTER OF FACT, I'VE BEEN  
13 A MEMBER FOR MANY YEARS AND REMEMBER 9-1/2 YEARS AGO WHEN THIS  
14 THING STARTED. WE'VE HAD IT ABOUT UP TO OUR EYEBALLS BY NOW.  
15 VERY LITTLE HAS BEEN DONE. WE HAD A MEETING WITH THE BUILDERS.  
16 AND THEY SHOWED US SOME MINOR, MINOR CHANGES. BUT THIS ISN'T  
17 THE FIRST TIME. WE'VE PROBABLY HAD FOUR DIFFERENT BUILDERS  
18 GIVE US THE SAME LINE OF STUFF, AND NOTHING SEEMS TO CHANGE.  
19 THEY'RE PROPOSING 80 HOUSES IN A MAJOR EARTHQUAKE AREA. THAT'S  
20 JUST WHAT WE NEED, IS TRACT HOUSES IN A VALLEY THAT WAS BUILT  
21 ON TOP OF THE SAN ANDREAS FAULT. WE ALSO KNOW IT'S A FIRE  
22 ZONE. IT'S JUST A SIMILAR KIND OF ZONE THAT'S ON FIRE RIGHT  
23 NOW. WE NEED 80 MORE HOUSES THERE SO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT HAS  
24 SOMETHING TO PROTECT. THAT'S A BUNCH OF BALONEY. LEONA VALLEY  
25 USUALLY BUILDS AROUND FIVE HOUSES A YEAR. AND THEY'VE BEEN



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1 DOING THAT FOR YEARS AND YEARS. THEY'RE PROPOSING 80 HOUSES  
2 ALL OF A SUDDEN. WE DON'T LIKE THAT IDEA. AND I DON'T THINK  
3 YOU DO, EITHER. SO LET'S PUT THIS PROJECT TO AN END. AND LIKE  
4 REGIONAL PLANNING DID AND THE PLANNING COMMISSION DID FIVE  
5 YEARS AGO WHEN THEY DISAPPROVED THIS WHOLE SITUATION AND THEN  
6 IT CAME ON APPEAL BACK TO THE SUPERVISORS AND THE SUPERVISORS  
7 LET IT GO. LET THEM HAVE MORE TIME. HOW MANY TIMES DID THEY  
8 LET THEM HAVE MORE TIME? THIS IS GETTING REALLY RIDICULOUS. SO  
9 WE THINK THAT THIS PROJECT SHOULD BE DENIED. AND WE THINK THAT  
10 THIS CANNOT HAVE MORE AND MORE AND MORE TIME FOR NOTHING,  
11 NOTHING, NOTHING RETURN. THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. WE'LL TAKE  
14 THE BALANCE OF THE SPEAKERS. JOHN WALSH AND MICHAEL JENKINS IN  
15 LANCASTER. FOR NOW, THE THREE GENTLEMAN IN FRONT OF ME, PLEASE  
16 PROCEED.

17

18 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING, ARNOLD SACHS. I  
19 LEARNED SOMETHING TODAY BECAUSE I WAS GOING TO ASK WHEN IT WAS  
20 BROUGHT UP THAT THIS PROJECT BEGAN IN 2007, HOW MANY PEOPLE IN  
21 THE AUDIENCE WERE MEMBERS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL? AT LEAST WE  
22 HAVE TWO THAT I KNOW OF THAT HAVE MENTIONED THAT THEY WERE  
23 MEMBERS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL IN 2007, WHEREIN ACTUALLY LIES THE  
24 PROBLEM BECAUSE 2007 AND NOW IT'S COMING BACK TO THE BOARD IN  
25 2016, AND THINGS CHANGE. AND WE HEARD FROM THE LAWYER. BUT HE



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1 ACTUALLY MENTIONED THE REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE DEVELOPER ALL  
2 THE WORK THAT WAS DONE IN THE LAST SIX MONTHS. BUT NEGLECTED  
3 TO MENTION ANY OF THE WORK THAT WAS DONE FROM, LET'S SAY 2008  
4 TO 2015. HE DID MENTION THAT THEY FILLED SOME HOLES. THAT GOT  
5 ME TO THINK OF "COOL HAND LUKE," BECAUSE LUKE FILLED SOME  
6 HOLES AND THEN HE EMPTIED THE HOLES, THEN HE FILLED THE HOLES.  
7 SO MAYBE THE NEXT ACTIVITY WILL BE TO EMPTY THE HOLES. I  
8 REMEMBER WHEN YOU HAD ACTON, THE PEOPLE FROM ACTON COME BEFORE  
9 YOU TO TALK ABOUT A DRIVE-THRU FAST FOOD. AND HERE YOU'RE  
10 TALKING ABOUT A DEVELOPMENT USING UP 182 ACRES OF THE 292  
11 ACRES FOR HOMES AND, I DON'T KNOW, DID THEY MENTION THE  
12 TOWNHOMES ALSO? ITEM 8 ON YOUR AGENDA TODAY REFERS TO A  
13 RECLASSIFICATION OF A DOWNGRADE FROM A SECONDARY HIGHWAY TO  
14 LOCAL COLLECTOR ROAD. SO BY CAUSE OF THIS DEVELOPMENT, WILL  
15 THEY HAVE TO UPGRADE THE LOCAL COLLECTOR ROAD TO A SECONDARY  
16 HIGHWAY? NOT MENTIONED THERE. AND FINALLY THE H.O.A. THAT WAS  
17 MENTIONED. WHO WOULD BE THE H.O.A.? WHO WOULD BE ON THE BOARD  
18 OF DIRECTORS? THE DEVELOPER AND THE BANK AND SOME OTHER  
19 PEOPLE? AND AS WE SAW FROM PORTER RANCH, THERE IS NO AMOUNT OF  
20 DISCLOSURE BECAUSE H.O.A.S FALL OUTSIDE THE LAWS REGARDING  
21 DISCLOSURE OF ANY ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT THAT THEY WOULD HAVE ON  
22 THE AREA.

23

24 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, IT'S ERIC PREVEN FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT.  
25 ITEM 7, THIS IS THE LEONA VALLEY ISSUE. AND, YOU KNOW, THERE'S



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1 A QUESTION AS TO WHETHER OR NOT THE PLANNING COMMISSION WHO  
2 HAS GIVEN THEM ONE MORE CHANCE, THEY'RE TRYING TO DETERMINE  
3 WHETHER OR NOT THERE'S BEEN PROGRESS MADE AND DOES PROGRESS  
4 CONSTITUTE MEETING WITH REGIONAL PLANNING IN VARIOUS WAYS?  
5 THEY TALLIED UP THOSE MEETINGS. THEY'VE CHECKED OFF VARIOUS  
6 PROBLEMS AND REDUCED SOME OF THOSE PROBLEMS. BUT THE CENTRAL  
7 POINT SEEMS TO BE THAT THIS COMMUNITY HAS RAISED ITS VOICE  
8 REPEATEDLY ABOUT THE SIZE AND SCOPE OF THIS PROJECT IN A RURAL  
9 AREA. SO I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S HAPPENING. I DO KNOW THAT IN 2015  
10 OR 2014 WE CHANGED THE RULES. BUT I DON'T THINK TO BENEFIT  
11 SOMETHING LIKE THIS WHERE YOU WOULD HAVE 80 OR PLUS HOMES ON  
12 THAT SIZE PROPERTY WHEN IT'S ZONED FOR SOMETHING FOR LIKE 40  
13 OR SOMETHING. I MEAN THAT'S THE WAY IT USED TO BE. SO I CAN'T  
14 UNDERSTAND WHERE-- I UNDERSTAND THAT THE DEVELOPERS WANT TO  
15 GET SOME KIND OF A RETURN. BUT WHY DON'T THEY DEVELOP  
16 SOMETHING THAT FITS INSIDE THE STANDARDS FOR THIS ENVIRONMENT  
17 IS A QUESTION THAT I THINK KEEPS COMING UP OVER AND OVER AND  
18 OVER AGAIN. AND STANTEC IS A NATIONALLY REPUTED FIRM,  
19 OBVIOUSLY. SO IT'S NICE THEY BROUGHT IN SOME ENGINEERS TO HELP  
20 SELL THEIR CASE, BUT ISN'T THAT WHAT THEY ALWAYS DO? DIDN'T WE  
21 HEAR FROM FANCY LOBBYIST FIRM LAST TIME AROUND WHO HAD A WHOLE  
22 SPECIFIC SET OF IDEAS, INCLUDING ONE THAT I THOUGHT WAS VERY  
23 FAR-FETCHED HAVING, TO DO WITH GROWING WINE IN AND AMONG THE  
24 CONDOS? I DON'T KNOW. THE PUBLIC HAS SPOKEN LOUDLY ABOUT THIS.  
25 SO I DON'T QUITE UNDERSTAND. EVERYBODY'S ENTITLED TO DUE



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1   PROCESS, OBVIOUSLY. BUT I DON'T KNOW. I MEAN THIS ONE DOES NOT  
2   MEET WITH THE PUBLIC'S ENTHUSIASM AT ALL. HAVEN'T HEARD ONE  
3   SPEAKER, OTHER THAN THE PUBLIC WHO ARE WORKING DILIGENTLY TO  
4   GET THIS BUSINESS DEAL PUSHED THROUGH, SPEAK IN FAVOR OF THIS  
5   THAT I HEARD. I DON'T KNOW WHAT WE'RE THINKING HERE, FOLKS.  
6   AND WHERE THE HELL IS BRUCKNER? THANK YOU.

7

8   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE?

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10   **HERMAN HERMAN:** SUCH INACTIVITY. LEONA VALLEY ESTATES. DID YOU  
11   NOT HEAR THE OUTCRY? DID YOU NOT HEAR THE OUTCRY? THANK YOU,  
12   MR. CLARENCE, FOR YOUR POINTS AND BULLETS ON THIS ISSUE  
13   BECAUSE IT ATTACKS THE DREAM OF WHAT WE CALL HOME. WHERE WE  
14   WISH TO RESIDE AND NOT BECOME A MULTITUDE OF SUBSIDIZED,  
15   OVERDEVELOPMENT IN OUR COMMUNITY. SO, MR. CLARENCE, AS YOU MAY  
16   KNOW, SUCH PUBLIC AFFAIRS AND CONSULTANTS ON SUCH MASSIVE  
17   PROJECTS, YES, THEY DO DESTROY THE COMMUNITY. THEY DO IMPACT  
18   THE ENVIRONMENT. THEY DO NOT ALLOW US TO LIVE INDEPENDENTLY  
19   FREE FROM ALL THE DIRT, SEWAGE AND CORRUPTION THAT COME ALONG  
20   WITH IT. NOW HAD I HAD COUNSEL, SUCH CONSULTATION BY MR.  
21   ENGLANDER AND PARTNERSHIP FROM THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, MAYBE  
22   THOSE ATTORNEYS WOULD HAVE SUPPORTED THE ISSUE BETTER. BUT  
23   THAT'S NOT RELEVANT BECAUSE THE ISSUE HERE HAS TO DO WITH THE  
24   PROBLEM. THE PROBLEM OF OVERDEVELOPMENT OUTSIDE OF THE CITY.  
25   YOU'RE DRAINING THE RESOURCES THAT BELONG IN THE CITY. THE



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1 SMALLER TOWNS WANT TO BE A SMALL TOWN. SO THANK YOU AGAIN, MR.  
2 CLARENCE, FOR ALL YOUR POINTS, BECAUSE YOU HAVE SUCCESSFULLY  
3 BROUGHT TO MY ATTENTION HOW BAD DEVELOPMENT IS GETTING IN THE  
4 CITY AND THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. IT PROVES A POINT THAT WE  
5 HAVE SCUMBAG ATTORNEYS WHO DON'T WISH TO WORK WITH THE PEOPLE  
6 WITH TRANSPARENCY IN OUR COMMUNITY. AND IT'S TIME THAT THE  
7 AMERICAN PEOPLE STICK UP AND DO THE TRUMP, TRUMP, TRUMP ON  
8 THIS ISSUE. I DO NOT AGREE WITH. THANK YOU.

9

10 **JUAN ALCALA:** HI, MR. ANTONOVICH, I REMEMBER YOU CALLING ME A  
11 CRAZY MAN A LONG TIME AGO. IT'S BECAUSE I DON'T NEED A SPEECH  
12 WRITER LIKE DONALD TRUMP DOES TO PUT MY FOOT IN MY MOUTH. BUT  
13 AT ANY RATE, ON THIS DEVELOPMENT, IT'S ANTISOCIAL. THESE POOR  
14 LADIES, WELL THEY'RE NOT POOR, I BET YOU THERE'S NO MEXICANS  
15 IN THE BOUQUET CANYON AREA. THERE ARE? I NEVER SEEN ANY. I  
16 USED TO GO THERE WHEN I WAS YOUNGER AND I USED TO MAKE LOVE TO  
17 MY LADY OVER THERE.

18

19 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** SIR, PLEASE REMAIN ON TOPIC.

20

21 **JUAN ALCALA:** ANYWAY, IT WAS A COOL PLACE. YOU COULD JUST PARK  
22 YOUR CAR THERE. IT WAS LIKE THE HIPPIE DAYS, DO YOU KNOW WHAT  
23 I MEAN? AND THEY SHOULDN'T PUT ALL THOSE HOUSES OVER THERE  
24 BECAUSE HOW WHERE WE GOING TO GO OVER THERE AGAIN AND FIND  
25 SOME NICE FINE OLD LADIES? WE'RE NOT YOUNG ANYMORE, RIGHT, MR.





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1 ANTONOVICH? YEAH. ANYWAY, YOU LOOK A LITTLE BIT LIKE DONALD  
2 TRUMP. BUT I ADMIRE YOU FOR THAT IN A LITTLE BIT OF A WAY.

3

4 **SPEAKER:** HE'S GOT REAL HAIR.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, GENTLEMEN.

7

8 **JUAN ALCALA:** LET'S GO BACK TO BOUQUET CANYON. YES. LEAVE THE  
9 PEOPLE ALONE OVER THERE, MAN. LEAVE THEM ALONE. THEY WANT TO  
10 LIVE LIKE FARMERS, YOU KNOW. WHY TAKE THE CITY ALL THE WAY TO  
11 THE COUNTRY? YOU'VE GOT PLENTY OF EMPTY BUILDINGS HERE. PUT  
12 ALL THOSE PEOPLE IN THE EMPTY BUILDINGS. DON'T HAVE THEM OUT  
13 ON THE STREET. YOU GOT THAT, ANTONOVICH? TELL EVERYBODY DON'T  
14 BE A [EXPLETIVE].

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

17

18 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOOD HIGH LANDS.ORG OR  
19 TWEETING AT HOLLYWOOD DEMS. JWALSH CONFIDENTIAL BLOGGING.  
20 HOLLYWOOD HIGHLANDS.ORG, BLOGGING. LOOK, WE HAVE SEEN THIS.  
21 YOU JUST COME DOWN WHEN THEY'RE ABOUT TO RAPE YOUR  
22 NEIGHBORHOOD. FINE. FINE. YOU PROTECT YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD. WE  
23 SEE THIS ALL THE TIME. WE SEE WHITE REPUBLICANS COMING DOWN  
24 HERE ON CONSERVATIVE DEMOCRATS AND BEGGING THESE CONSERVATIVES  
25 UP HERE. AND REMEMBER ALL FIVE OF THESE PEOPLE ARE 100 PERCENT



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1 PRO-DEVELOPER. AND LET ME TELL YOU SOMETHING. IF THERE ARE  
2 ONLY THREE PEOPLE UP HERE, HILLARY CLINTON AND BERNIE SANDERS  
3 AND DONALD TRUMP, YOU DAMN WELL KNOW THAT TRUMP AND HILLARY  
4 WOULD VOTE AGAINST YOU. AND DO YOU KNOW DAMN WELL WHO WOULD  
5 VOTE FOR YOU? BERNIE SANDERS WOULD VOTE FOR YOU. BUT YOU HATE  
6 HIM. I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S BECAUSE HE'S JEWISH OR WHAT THE  
7 REASON IS. BUT IN FACT HE IS YOUR ONLY HOPE, BERNIE SANDERS.

8

9 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** PLEASE REMAIN ON TOPIC.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** PLEASE.

12

13 **JOHN WALSH:** THIS PROPERTY SITS THERE WAITING FOR A FIRE. THE  
14 MORE BUILDINGS THERE, MORE LIKELY THERE'S A FIRE. BECAUSE THE  
15 BEST WAY TO GET RID OF WHITE REPUBLICANS LIKE YOU FOLKS IS A  
16 FIRE. THAT'S WHAT THEY'RE HOPING FOR. DO YOU THINK-- MIKE  
17 ANTONOVICH IS RUNNING THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY SO HE'LL VOTE NO.  
18 THE REST OF THEM ARE GOING TO VOTE YES. THEY'RE GOING VOTE YES  
19 BECAUSE THEY TREAT DEVELOPERS THE WAY MONICA LEWINSKY TREATED  
20 CLINTON. HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG.

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. WE GO TO THE FINAL TWO SPEAKERS  
23 OF LANCASTER. MICHAEL JENKINS FOLLOWED BY DIANA BEARD-  
24 WILLIAMS. SIR?

25



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1   **MICHAEL JENKINS:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I JUST  
2   WANT TO SAY ONE THING BEFORE I GIVE THE REST OF MY TIME TO DR.  
3   DIANA BEARD- WILLIAMS. PLEASE GO ON HER WEBSITE, FACEBOOK,  
4   DIANA BEARD-WILLIAMS. I JUST WANT YOU GUYS TO LOOK AT HER  
5   WEBSITE. SHE'S PUBLISHING A BOOK. IT'S BEEN RELEASED. I HAVE A  
6   COPY OF IT. IT HAS ALL OF YOU SUPERVISORS' NAMES. ALL OF YOUR  
7   DIRT AND ALL OF YOUR CORRUPTION THAT YOU'VE BEEN DOING FOR  
8   THESE PAST 30 YEARS. HERE'S DR. DIANA BEARD-WILLIAMS. LOOK FOR  
9   HER BOOK.

10

11   **DR. DIANA BEARD-WILLIAMS:** MY NAME IS DR. DIANA BEARD-WILLIAMS,  
12   SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, I WOULD BE APPRECIATE BY BEING  
13   CALLED BY THAT TITLE. I WROTE IT DOWN. THE REASON I'M SPEAKING  
14   TO YOU TODAY IS BECAUSE I KNOW ABOUT DEVELOPERS. AND I THINK  
15   THE MAIN POINT IS ALL THE PEOPLE FROM LEONA VALLEY OR ALL THE  
16   PEOPLE OUT THERE THAT ARE AGAINST THIS PROJECT ARE MISSING IS  
17   THAT IT'S ABOUT BENJAMINS. DO YOU KNOW WHAT BENJAMINS ARE?  
18   THEY'RE THE GREEN THINGS? HUNDRED DOLLAR BILLS? YOU KNOW,  
19   MONEY, MONEY, MONEY. THAT'S THE REASON WHY THEY GO GET THE  
20   MOST EXPENSIVE LAWYERS THEY CAN GET. AND I'VE DEALT WITH MANY  
21   YEARS WITH O'MELVENY MYERS WHO WAS HEADED UP BY WARREN  
22   CHRISTOPHER, FORMER SECRETARY OF STATE, AND I SPOKE WITH HIM  
23   CONCERNING ISSUES BEFORE HIS PASSING. THEY WANT MONEY. THEY DO  
24   NOT CARE ABOUT IF THE E.I.R.S ARE CORRECT. THEY DON'T CARE  
25   ABOUT ANY OF THE THINGS THAT YOU'RE SAYING. THEY DON'T CARE



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1 ABOUT ENCROACHING ON YOUR SPACE. THEY DON'T CARE ABOUT YOUR  
2 FREEDOMS. THEY DON'T CARE ABOUT IF IT SITS ON A FAULT THAT MAY  
3 COLLAPSE TOMORROW. THEY WANT MONEY. IT'S CALLED BENJAMINS,  
4 BENJAMINS, BENJAMINS. AND WHAT UPSET ME ABOUT THIS BOARD FOR  
5 SO LONG IS THAT INSTEAD OF VOTING IN TERMS OF INTEGRITY,  
6 MORALITY AND ETHICS, YOU HAVE VOTED IN TERMS OF THOSE  
7 BENJAMINS TIME AND TIME AGAIN. MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT, AS DON  
8 KNABE ONCE SAID, IS JUST A NAME FOR PARASITES. I WAS A  
9 MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT. WE TELL YOU WHAT YOU WANT TO KNOW. WE  
10 CRAFT THE REPORT THE WAY YOU WANT IT CRAFTED. OUR LAWYERS DO  
11 WHAT YOU WANT THEM TO DO. SO MANY TIMES I HEARD O'MELVENY  
12 MYERS TOLD TO LIE TO THE PUBLIC ABOUT DIFFERENT THINGS TO GET  
13 SCHOOL BONDS PASSED. PEOPLE, THERE HAS TO BE A BERNIE SANDERS  
14 REVOLUTION IN THIS COUNTRY THAT CONTINUES. EVEN THOUGH HE  
15 WON'T BE THE NOMINEE. STAND UP FOR YOURSELF. SQUASH THESE  
16 DEVELOPERS THAT ARE LIKE THE ROACHES THEY REALLY ARE.

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. THAT CONCLUDES THE PUBLIC  
19 HEARING ON THE MATTER BEFORE US. MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER, I  
20 UNDERSTAND THAT THERE'S A MOTION TO BE ENTERTAINED?

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, THE VALLEY VINEYARDS PROJECT  
23 CONSISTS OF 84 SINGLE-FAMILY LOTS LOCATED AT THE INTERSECTION  
24 OF BOUQUET CANYON AND 87TH STREET WEST IN THE UNINCORPORATED  
25 COMMUNITY OF LEONA VALLEY. ORIGINALLY FILED WITH THE



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1 DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING ON FEBRUARY 13, 2007. IT'S  
2 GONE THROUGH MULTIPLE REVISIONS AND APPLICANT DELAYS. DURING  
3 THE HEARING OFFICER REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING ON AUGUST 4, 2015,  
4 THE HEARING OFFICER DENIED THE PROJECT DUE TO INACTIVITY. ON  
5 AUGUST 13TH, THE APPLICANT APPEALED THE HEARING OFFICER'S  
6 DECISION. THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION AND THEY REVERSED  
7 THAT DECISION. THE TOWN COUNCIL, WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE  
8 COMMUNITY OF LEONA VALLEY IS NOW APPEALING THE COMMISSION'S  
9 DECISION BECAUSE THIS PROJECT IS INCONSISTENT WITH THE RURAL  
10 CHARACTER OF THE COMMUNITY, INCONSISTENT WITH THE RECENTLY  
11 ADOPTED ANTELOPE VALLEY AREA PLAN. THE PROCESS HAS BEEN  
12 DRAGGED OUT BY THE APPLICANT FOR NINE YEARS WITH NO LOCAL  
13 SUPPORT. IT'S APPROPRIATE FOR THE APPLICANT TO START OVER AND  
14 COMPLY WITH THE RULES AND REGULATIONS IN THE RECENTLY ADOPTED  
15 AREA PLAN. SO I MOVE THAT THE BOARD INDICATE ITS INTENT TO  
16 SUPPORT THE APPEAL, SETTING ASIDE THE REGIONAL PLANNING  
17 COMMISSION'S APPROVAL AND REINSTATING THE HEARING OFFICER'S  
18 DENIAL DUE TO INACTIVITY, INDICATE ITS INTENT TO AFFIRM THE  
19 DECISION OF THE HEARING OFFICER AND DIRECT COUNTY COUNSEL TO  
20 PREPARE FINDINGS FOR APPROVAL OF THE APPEAL.

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. THE MATTER IS BEFORE US. IT'S  
23 BEEN SECONDED. ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION? ANY OTHER PROCEDURAL  
24 ISSUES THAT NEED TO BE OBSERVED AT THIS POINT IN TIME, MADAME  
25 EXECUTIVE OFFICER?



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2 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** ON ITEM 8?

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NUMBER 7.

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6 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** THAT IS ALL ON NUMBER 7.

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8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** DISPOSE OF IT ACCORDINGLY. ARE THERE ANY  
9 OBJECTIONS? ALL RIGHT. PLEASE RECORD UNANIMOUS VOTE. PLEASE  
10 PROCEED TO ITEM NUMBER 8.

11

12 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** ITEM NO. 8 IS A HEARING ON PROPOSED  
13 PROJECT NO. R2014-03232 TO RECLASSIFY SLOAN CANYON ROAD  
14 BETWEEN QUAIL VALLEY ROAD AND MANDOLIN CANYON ROAD IN CASTAIC  
15 CANYON ZONED DISTRICT WITHIN THE UNINCORPORATED CASTAIC AREA  
16 COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT, DOWNGRADING IT FROM A LIMITED  
17 SECONDARY HIGHWAY TO A LOCAL COLLECTOR ROAD. THERE IS A  
18 DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT. THERE WAS NO CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED.  
19 AND THERE ARE INDIVIDUALS WHO WISH TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

20

21 **THUY HUA:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS THUY HUA FROM  
22 THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING. THE AGENDA ITEM IS A  
23 REQUEST FOR A PLAN AMENDMENT TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY MASTER PLAN  
24 OF HIGHWAYS TO RECLASSIFY THE 1.1-MILE SEGMENT OF SLOAN VALLEY  
25 BETWEEN QUAIL VALLEY ROAD AND MANDOLIN CANYON ROAD FROM A





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1 LIMITED SECONDARY HIGHWAY TO A LOCAL COLLECTOR ROAD WITHIN THE  
2 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF CASTAIC. THE REQUEST WAS  
3 RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL BY THE REGIONAL PLAN COMMISSION ON  
4 MAY 4, 2016. STAFF RECOMMENDS THAT THE BOARD ADOPT THE  
5 NEGATIVE DECLARATION FINDING THAT THE PROJECT WILL NOT HAVE A  
6 SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT AND INSTRUCT COUNTY  
7 COUNSEL TO PREPARE THE NECESSARY RESOLUTION, AMENDING THE LOS  
8 ANGELES COUNTY GENERAL PLAN AND THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY AREA  
9 PLAN, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION. THIS  
10 CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE HAVE FOUR PERSONS  
13 WISHING TO BE HEARD. THEY ARE JUAN ALCALA. HERMAN HERMAN.  
14 ARNOLD SACHS AND GERI MANNING. IF THE FOUR OF YOU WOULD COME  
15 FORWARD? ON ITEM NO. 8. MA'AM, YOUR NAME?

16

17 **GERI MANNING:** SIR, MR. MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YOUR NAME.

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21 **GERI MANNING:** MY NAME IS GERI MANNING.

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** PLEASE PROCEED.

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1 **GERI MANNING:** THE LAST TIME I WAS HERE WHICH WAS JUNE 28TH, I  
2 BOUGHT THE D.V.D.S FOR MY APPEARANCE, AND YOU ALL SENT ME  
3 THREE SETS, SIX ALBUMS FOR THE D.V.D.S TAPE. MY TESTIMONY WAS  
4 COMPLETELY OMITTED. HEREIN, I HOPE YOU DO NOT MAKE THAT  
5 MISTAKE. IN SO DOING, YOU HAVE RUINED THE MATRICULATION  
6 THEREOF. HEREIN, I GERI MANNING DO DECLARE TO SPEAK AS THE  
7 ORACLE OF THE LORD GOD JESUS CHRIST.

8

9 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** MA'AM, PLEASE REMAIN ON TOPIC.

10

11 **GERI MANNING:** THIS IS ON TOPIC.

12

13 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** DOES IT HAVE TO DO WITH THE AMENDMENT  
14 TO THE MASTER PLAN?

15

16 **GERI MANNING:** PLEASE DO NOT INTERRUPT ME. I SPOKE ON TOPIC THE  
17 LAST TIME. AND YOU GUYS DID NOT LET MY-- ALLOW MY TESTIMONY TO  
18 GO FORTH.

19

20 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** PLEASE SPEAK ON THE MASTER PLAN.

21

22 **GERI MANNING:** THEREFORE YOU HAVE BROKEN THE MATRICULATION  
23 THEREOF. I SAID THAT ALREADY. I AM INTRODUCING MYSELF, AND I  
24 HOPE YOU ALL PUT-- SEND ME BACK THE MONEY WHICH I PAID FOR.  
25 YOU DIDN'T SEND THOSE D.V.D.S FOR FREE. I PAID FOR THEM. AND I



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1 HOPE TO GET THOSE THE ACCURATE D.V.D.S TODAY FROM THIS, FROM  
2 THIS, FROM THIS COUNTY. AND, AND IF YOU-- IT BORDERLINES ON  
3 DISCRIMINATION. IF YOU CHOOSE TO SELECT WHOSE TESTIMONY SHOULD  
4 BE AIRED AND WHO SHOULD NOT?

5

6 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** MA'AM, PLEASE TESTIFY ABOUT THE MATTER.

7

8 **GERI MANNING:** THEN THIS IS A WASTE OF THE PUBLIC'S TIME.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MISS MANNING, MAY I SAY THIS. THIS IS A  
11 SPECIFIC ITEM, THIS IS ITEM NO. 8. YOU MAY BE HEARD AT THE  
12 POINT OF PUBLIC COMMENT, AT WHICH TIME YOU ARE FREE TO DISCUSS  
13 ANYTHING THAT YOU WOULD LIKE. THIS ITEM REQUIRES THAT YOU  
14 SPEAK SPECIFICALLY TO THE CONCERNS RAISED IN ITEM NO. 8. SO  
15 LET ME JUST SIMPLY SAY THAT TO YOU. YOU'LL HAVE ANOTHER  
16 OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD AT WHICH POINT IN TIME YOU CAN DISCUSS  
17 ANY OTHER ISSUES ABOUT WHICH YOU ARE CONCERNED. ALL RIGHT? AND  
18 THAT WHICH YOU HAVE JUST SAID IS A MATTER OF THE RECORD. IT  
19 WILL BE DOCUMENTED ACCORDINGLY. ALL OF IT IS DOCUMENTED IN THE  
20 TRANSCRIPT. ALL RIGHT, WE'LL MAKE SURE SOMEBODY FROM THE  
21 EXECUTIVE OFFICE TALKS TO YOU AND EXPLAINS TO YOU ALL THESE  
22 DETAILS.

23

24 **HERMAN HERMAN:** MR. SPEAKER IF I COULD WAIVE MY TIME TO ARNOLD  
25 SACHS. THANK YOU.



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2 **GERI MANNING:** LISTEN, YOU PEOPLE HAD A LOT OF PEOPLE COME HERE  
3 AND MAKE A MOCKERY OF THIS--

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. SOMEONE FROM THE EXECUTIVE  
6 OFFICES WILL SPEAK WITH YOU. PROCEED. MR. SACHS. MR. SACHS?  
7 YOU WISH TO BE HEARD?

8

9 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS. AS I  
10 MENTIONED EARLIER REGARDING THE DEVELOPMENT THAT WAS GOING TO  
11 OCCUR IN LEONA VALLEY, AND MAYBE THE UPGRADING OF THE ROADS IN  
12 THAT AREA, I'M CONCERNED ABOUT THIS PARTICULAR DOWNGRADE OF  
13 THE HIGHWAY AND ANY WORK THAT BE WOULD INVOLVED IN IT. WOULD  
14 THAT LEAD TO ANY KIND OF DEVELOPMENT OR ANY KIND OF REPAIR  
15 WORK? I'M SOMEWHAT FAMILIAR WITH ROADWORK THAT WAS DONE IN THE  
16 SOUTH BAY ON THE BORDER BETWEEN MANHATTAN BEACH AND EL  
17 SEGUNDO. THE ROAD, SEPULVEDA BOULEVARD WAS WIDENED. AND IN THE  
18 PROCESS OF WIDENING THE ROAD, IMPROVEMENTS WERE MADE TO THE  
19 AREA. LIGHT POLES WERE TAKEN DOWN. SEWAGE LINES WERE  
20 RELOCATED. AND WHEN ALL THE WORK WAS DONE, A PRIVATE DEVELOPER  
21 CAME IN, DECIDED THEY WERE GOING TO BUILD A SHOPPING MALL. AND  
22 THEY GOT THE OPPORTUNITY TO BUILD THAT SHOPPING MALL WITHOUT  
23 HAVING ANY INPUT OR ANY LEGAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY OF THE  
24 ROADWORK IMPROVEMENTS THAT WERE PAID FOR WITH THE PUBLIC  
25 FUNDING. SO MY CONCERN ABOUT THIS DOWNGRADE IS THAT IT'S



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1 APPLIED FOR BY ROMERO CANYON L.L.C. AND ROMERO CANYON L.L.C.,  
2 WHAT'S THEIR RELATIONSHIP WITH PUBLIC STREETS AND THE HIGHWAYS  
3 THAT THEY WOULD REQUEST A DOWNGRADE ON THIS ROAD? NORMALLY THE  
4 L.L.C. WOULD BE IN SOME KIND OF DEVELOPMENT, AND THIS IS  
5 HAVING TO DEAL WITH ROADWAY. MAYBE YOU CAN ANSWER THAT  
6 QUESTION. THANK YOU.

7

8 **JUAN ALCALA:** YOU WANT MY TIME? IT'S GOOD. HE DON'T NEED MY  
9 TIME.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU. DO YOU PASS, SIR?  
12 ARE YOU PASSING?

13

14 **JUAN ALCALA:** WELL, I WAS GOING TO DONATE MY TIME TO HIM BUT HE  
15 DOESN'T WANT IT.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU.

18

19 **JUAN ALCALA:** SO I'LL DONATE IT BACK TO MYSELF.

20

21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHTY.

22

23 **JUAN ALCALA:** ONCE AGAIN, I REALLY DON'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT  
24 POLITICS, BUT I KNOW THAT A LOT OF MONEY GETS PAID TO  
25 DEVELOPERS TO HIDE THINGS. AND THAT'S WHAT MY CONCERN IS. THE



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1 REAL ESTATE MARKET IS A DIRTY, DIRTY, DIRTY, DIRTY, DIRTY LOW  
2 DOWN BASEMENT AND A LOT OF IT GOES THROUGH YOU, THROUGH CITY  
3 COUNCIL. EVERY CITY HAS DIFFERENT RULES. HOW IS IT THAT IN A  
4 COUNTRY THAT IS SUPPOSEDLY SO DEMOCRATIC, PEOPLE LIVE BY ALL  
5 KINDS OF DIFFERENT RULES?

6

7 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** SIR, PLEASE STAY ON TOPIC, AND DISCUSS  
8 THE PROJECT.

9

10 **JUAN ALCALA:** WELL, THE TOPIC IS, WHY DO YOU GIVE PERMISSION TO  
11 SOME PEOPLE TO DO WHATEVER THEY WANT AND YOU DON'T GIVE  
12 PERMISSION TO OTHER PEOPLE?

13

14 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** SIR, THE TOPIC IS THE RE-DESIGNATION OF  
15 A HIGHWAY?

16

17 **JUAN ALCALA:** YEAH, I KNOW. YOU RE-DESIGNATE. YOU DO A LOT OF  
18 THINGS WITH FANCY NAMES IN ORDER TO KEEP THE RICH PEOPLE RICH  
19 AND THE POOR PEOPLE POOR. THAT'S YOUR JOB AS GOVERNMENT.

20

21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT, SIR. THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
22 TESTIMONY. ALL RIGHT. DR. DIANA BEARD-WILLIAMS WISHES TO BE  
23 HEARD, LANCASTER. DR. DIANA BEARD-WILLIAMS? ALL RIGHT, THANK  
24 YOU.

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1 **DR. DIANA BEARD-WILLIAMS:** HELLO. DR. DIANA BEARD-WILLIAMS AND  
2 THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR THOMAS, FOR ACKNOWLEDGING MY TITLE.  
3 LEAVE THIS PROJECT ALONE. LEAVE IT ALONE FOR RIGHT NOW. AND  
4 THE REASON WHY IS BECAUSE-- AND I AM STAYING ON TOPIC. AND THE  
5 TOTAL INFORMATION THAT I HAVE MY HANDS ON SHOWS ME THAT WHEN  
6 YOU TALK ABOUT, AS MR. SACHS SAID AHEAD OF ME, WHO IS THIS  
7 PERSON? WHO IS THAT PERSON? YOU DON'T KNOW. WE DOWNGRADE, WHO  
8 MADE CHANGES. WE DO CERTAIN THINGS AND THEN SOMEBODY ELSE  
9 COMES IN AND BENEFITS FROM IT. I'VE SEEN THIS REPEATEDLY DONE  
10 AS I SAT IN THE BACK ROOMS IN PALMDALE AND LANCASTER WHERE  
11 LAND WAS DOWNGRADED, TRADED BACK AND FORTH, INFRASTRUCTURE WAS  
12 PUT IN, THINGS WERE DONE AND LAND WAS GIVEN BACK TO PEOPLE  
13 LIKE GREG ANDERSON WHO HAS NOW PASSED. FRANCISCO. A NUMBER OF  
14 INDIVIDUALS WHO TOOK ADVANTAGE OF COUNTY DOLLARS TO GET  
15 CERTAIN THINGS DONE. AND THEN ALL OF A SUDDEN THE LAND  
16 REVERTED BACK TO THEM OR THEY CAME IN UNDER ANOTHER COMPANY. I  
17 AM A LICENSED REAL ESTATE BROKER FOR ABOUT 17 YEARS IN THE  
18 STATE OF CALIFORNIA. EVEN THOUGH THEY HAVE TRIED TO PIN ALL  
19 KINDS OF THINGS ON ME, I KNOW THE GAMES THAT ARE PLAYED. THIS  
20 IS THE FIRST STEP. DEVELOPERS MAKE MONEY ANY WAY THEY POSSIBLY  
21 CAN. AND THEY ALSO CREATE BOGUS COMPANIES. SUCH AS MR. SACHS  
22 ASKED YOU WHO WAS SO-AND-SO? NOW IF YOU CAN NAME WHO SO-AND-SO  
23 IS AND YOU CAN SHOW ME A FIVE-YEAR HISTORY, I'LL LISTEN TO  
24 YOU. OTHER THAN THAT, I'VE BEEN IN THE ROOM. I KNOW THE GAME.  
25 I KNOW THE DEAL. I KNOW WHO WILL GET THE LAND. I KNOW WHO WILL



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1 BUILD ON THE LAND. I KNOW HOW THEY WILL MAKE THEIR MONEY. AND  
2 IT ALL STARTS WITH YOU, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, TOUCHING  
3 THIS PROJECT AND CREATING THAT FIRST STEP. NOW, MIKE, I CAN  
4 NAME NAMES. YOU KNOW THAT. THIS HAS HAPPENED IN THE ANTELOPE  
5 VALLEY MANY, MANY TIMES OVER. LEAVE THIS LAND ALONE FOR RIGHT  
6 NOW AND SEE WHAT THESE DEVELOPERS DO NEXT AND WHAT TRICKS THEY  
7 PULL OUT OF THEIR SLEEVES.

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THAT CONCLUDES THE PUBLIC HEARING ON ITEM  
10 NO. 8. MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

11

12 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** AT THIS TIME IT WOULD BE  
13 APPROPRIATE TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND MOVE THE MATTER.

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** PROPERLY MOVED AND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR  
16 KNABE. AND IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, PLEASE RECORD A UNANIMOUS  
17 VOTE ON ITEM NO. 8. ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

18

19 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** THAT CONCLUDES ALL THE PUBLIC  
20 HEARINGS. THE NEXT ITEM IS R-1. AND THERE WILL BE A  
21 PRESENTATION.

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

24



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1    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, R-1 IS A MATTER OF  
2    CONCERN FOR THE BOARD AS A WHOLE. THE ISSUE OF TRAFFICKING OF  
3    CHILDREN HAS ESTABLISHED ITSELF AS MORALLY OFFENSIVE ISSUE.  
4    MANY OF US HAVE LEARNED ABOUT IT ONLY RECENTLY, FOR THOSE WHO  
5    HAVE BEEN WORKING ON THIS MATTER FOR QUITE A WHILE. BUT I  
6    THINK THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES IS TO BE ACKNOWLEDGED FOR ITS  
7    INITIATIVE IN RAISING THE BANNER ON BEHALF OF THESE CHILDREN  
8    VERY, VERY HIGH. SO TODAY'S PRESENTATION IS DESIGNED TO UPDATE  
9    US BY WAY OF THE SECOND QUARTERLY REPORT ON THE INTEGRATED  
10   LEADERSHIP TEAM AND HAVE MICHELLE GUYMON, DIRECTOR OF THE  
11   CHILD SEX TRAFFICKING UNIT FOR THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT.  
12   MERRILL LADENHEIM, THE CAPTAIN IN SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT  
13   FOCUSING ON THE TRAFFICKING TASKFORCE, AND NAFTALI SAMPSON,  
14   WHO IS ASSISTANT REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF  
15   CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES WHO WORKS ON C.S.E.C. ISSUES. AND  
16   WITH THAT, WE WILL PROCEED ACCORDINGLY.

17

18   **MICHELLE GUYMON:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. AGAIN,  
19   MICHELLE GUYMON WITH LOS ANGELES COUNTY PROBATION DEPARTMENT.  
20   AND I AM JOINED HERE AGAIN THIS MORNING, AS SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-  
21   THOMAS STATED, WITH OUR C.S.E.C. INTEGRATED LEADERSHIP TEAM,  
22   DIANE IGLESIAS, NAFTALI SAMPSON WITH DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN  
23   AND FAMILY SERVICES, CAPTAIN MERRILL LADENHEIM OF LOS ANGELES  
24   COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. WE'RE HERE THIS MORNING TO  
25   PROVIDE THE BOARD WITH OUR QUARTERLY UPDATES REGARDING THE



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1 FIRST RESPONDER PROTOCOL AND ADVOCACY SERVICES ALONG WITH THE  
2 YOUTH SAFE ZONE REPORT BACK ON THE MOTION OF SUPERVISOR KNABE  
3 MADE ON MAY 10, 2016. AS YOU'LL SEE ON THE SCREEN, I'M GOING  
4 TO GO THROUGH AND GIVE AN UPDATE. FIRST OFF, JUST WANT TO  
5 REITERATE THE LAW ENFORCEMENT FIRST RESPONDER PROTOCOL  
6 REFLECTS THE COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO TREATING COMMERCIALY  
7 SEXUALLY EXPLOITED CHILDREN OR C.S.E.C. VICTIMS OF CHILD ABUSE  
8 AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING RATHER THAN CRIMINALIZING THEM AS  
9 DELINQUENTS. THE PROTOCOL TO DATE HAS BEEN IMPLEMENTED WITHIN  
10 NINE LAW ENFORCEMENT AREAS WITH THE MOST RECENT EXPANSION  
11 BEING THE LANCASTER, PALMDALE AND SANTA CLARITA SHERIFF'S  
12 STATIONS. OUR NEXT STEPS FOR EXPANSION OF THE PROTOCOL WILL BE  
13 TO ALL L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S STATIONS BY OCTOBER. WE HAD OUR  
14 INITIAL MEETING YESTERDAY WITH L.A.P.D. TO TAKE IT L.A.P.D.-  
15 WIDE BY JANUARY OF NEXT YEAR. THEN WE'LL BEGIN OUR ENGAGEMENT  
16 WITH THE OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES, INDEPENDENT AGENCIES  
17 SOONER AFTER THAT. TO DATE THERE HAVE BEEN 131 RECOVERIES AND  
18 INVOLVED IN THOSE RECOVERIES WERE 112 UNIQUE INDIVIDUALS. WHAT  
19 THE DATA TELLS US IS THAT THE AVERAGE AGE OF THE YOUTH THAT  
20 ARE BEING RECOVERED ARE 15.7. AND ALSO THIS SECOND GRAPH SHOWS  
21 YOU THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES THAT HAVE MADE THOSE  
22 RECOVERIES THUS FAR. THE SYSTEM RESPONSE SPEAKS TO WHICH  
23 SYSTEM RESPONDED TO THOSE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES UPON THE  
24 CALL BEING MADE. YOU SEE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND  
25 FAMILY SERVICES HAS RESPONDED TO 111 OF THOSE 131 CALLS AND



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1 PROBATION TO 20. IT SHOULD ALSO BE NOTED THAT D.C.F.S.  
2 RESPONDS TO ANY IDENTIFIED YOUTH THAT ARE MISSING FROM OTHER  
3 COUNTIES OR OTHER STATES. AND YOU'LL SEE THAT KIND OF DRAFTED  
4 THERE THAT WE'VE HAD 13 YOUTH FROM DIFFERENT COUNTIES  
5 THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IDENTIFIED AND 7 YOUTH FROM  
6 ACROSS THE COUNTRY TO INCLUDE KANSAS, WISCONSIN, TEXAS,  
7 ARIZONA AND NEVADA. SO WE'VE HAD SOME KIDS HERE IN LOS  
8 ANGELES. UPON THIS SYSTEM RESPONDING TO LAW ENFORCEMENT,  
9 THERE'S A MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM MEETING THAT IS HELD WITH THE  
10 YOUTH TO DETERMINE THE INITIAL HOUSING OR PLACEMENT DECISION  
11 AT THAT MOMENT. YOU'LL SEE BY THE FIRST GRAPH THAT A GOOD  
12 NUMBER OF YOUTH AT THAT FIRST INITIAL M.B.T. DECISION WERE  
13 SENT TO THE YOUTH WELCOME CENTER. AND THAT WAS EARLY, EARLY ON  
14 IN THE PROTOCOLS SINCE WE DON'T HAVE YOUTH WELCOME CENTER  
15 ANYMORE. ANOTHER GOOD NUMBER OF THOSE KIDS WE WERE ABLE TO  
16 RETURN HOME WITH SERVICES. AND THEN YOU SEE THAT THE HIGHEST  
17 NUMBER WERE YOUTH THAT WERE DETAINED IN JUVENILE HALL. SO THE  
18 SECOND GRAPH SPEAKS TO THE REASONS FOR DETENTION, WHICH  
19 INCLUDE N.C.I.C. AND THAT IS THE NATIONAL CRIME INFORMATION  
20 CENTER, WHICH AGAIN YOUTH ARE DOCUMENTED WHO ARE MISSING FROM  
21 AGAIN, OTHER COUNTIES OR OTHER STATES. SO WE WANT TO ENSURE  
22 THAT WE GET THEM BACK TO THOSE COUNTIES AND TO THEIR HOME  
23 STATE. WE ALSO HAVE A NUMBER OF KIDS THAT WERE A PART OR  
24 ATTACHED TO THE PROBATION SYSTEM THROUGH THE DELINQUENCY  
25 COURT. AND SO THEREFORE THEY WERE-- MOST OF THEM WERE A.W.O.L.



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1 FROM PLACEMENT SO THERE WAS AN OUTSTANDING WARRANT. SO THAT  
2 WAS THE REASON THE YOUTH WERE RETAINED, TO CLEAR THOSE  
3 WARRANTS AND THEN TO GET BACK OUT INTO SERVICES AND SUPPORT.  
4 YOU'LL ALSO SEE THAT WE HAD 16 ARRESTS RELATED TO PROSTITUTION  
5 WHERE THAT WAS-- WHERE THOSE KIDS WERE DETAINED IN JUVENILE  
6 HALL. I KNOW THAT WE'RE REALLY WORKING TOWARDS  
7 DECRIMINALIZATION AND I THINK WE'VE DONE A REALLY GOOD JOB.  
8 PRIOR TO-- ONE YEAR PRIOR TO THE PROTOCOL BEING IMPLEMENTED IN  
9 THE PILOT AND WITH THE EXPANSION AREAS OF L.A.P.D., THERE WERE  
10 A TOTAL OF 141 ARRESTS OF CHILDREN FOR SOME PROSTITUTION-  
11 RELATED OFFENSE IN THOSE AREAS. SINCE IMPLEMENTING THE  
12 PROTOCOL THERE HAVE ONLY BEEN 16, WHICH AN 89 PERCENT DECREASE  
13 IN ARRESTS, WHICH I THINK GOES BACK TO THE COLLABORATIVE  
14 COMMITMENT OF ALL THE AGENCIES INVOLVED IN DECRIMINALIZING  
15 KIDS. SO WE'VE MADE A SIGNIFICANT DROP AND KEEP PUSHING TO  
16 WHERE WE HAVE NO ARRESTS. AND YOU'LL SEE THOSE ARRESTS THAT  
17 WERE MADE, FOUR ARRESTS EARLY 2014 WHEN WE JUST IMPLEMENTED  
18 THE PROTOCOL. AND THEN AGAIN THE 89 PERCENT DECREASE. BUT THE  
19 2015 AND 2016 ARRESTS. ON THIS LAST SLIDE, YOU WILL SEE THAT  
20 WE HAVE A SLIDE FOR THE 24-HOUR STATUS OF WHERE THE YOUTH ARE  
21 WITHIN THE FIRST 24 HOURS. AND WE HAVE A COUPLE OF THINGS TO  
22 POINT OUT AS WE HAD 23 A.W.O.L.S, WHICH I THINK IS PRETTY GOOD  
23 BECAUSE AGAIN WE'VE RECOVERED 131 KIDS. SO WE COULD HAVE HAD  
24 130 KIDS RUN, BUT WE'VE DONE SOME INITIAL INTENSE ENGAGEMENT  
25 WITH THAT. WE ALSO HAVE STILL SOME KIDS WITHIN THAT 72-HOUR



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1 MARK THAT ARE STILL GOING THROUGH THE DELINQUENCY PROCESS TO  
2 GET THE BENCH WARRANT CLEARED AND THEN ALSO, WE WERE ABLE TO  
3 RETURN ABOUT 20 OF OUR KIDS AT THAT MARK WHO WERE ABLE TO  
4 REMAIN HOMELESS SERVICES. AND WHERE THE YOUTH ARE NOW? I THINK  
5 WHAT IS SIGNIFICANT IS WE HAVE OF THOSE 131 YOUTH OR THOSE  
6 KIDS THAT WERE RECEIVING SERVICES 18 OF THEM ARE A.W.O.L.. SO  
7 THE A.W.O.L.S HAVE COME DOWN. WE HAVE 36 KIDS WHO REMAIN AT  
8 HOMELESS SERVICES, WHICH I THINK IS VERY POSITIVE. AND WE ONLY  
9 HAVE 7 KIDS WHO ARE DETAINED IN JUVENILE HALL. SO IT'S REALLY  
10 DROPPED OUT, AGAIN USING DETENTION VERY SPARINGLY. SO THAT  
11 CONCLUDES JUST KIND OF OUR OVERALL UPDATE ON THAT, IF THERE  
12 ARE ANY QUESTIONS.

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WE'LL PROCEED TO THE PRESENTERS.

15

16 **MICHELLE GUYMON:** SO I'M GOING TO TURN IT OVER TO CAPTAIN  
17 LADENHEIM, WHO IS GOING TO GIVE US A REPORT BACK ON THE YOUTH  
18 SAFE ZONE ,AGAIN ON THE MOTION THAT SUPERVISOR KNABE MADE ON  
19 MAY 10, 2016

20

21 **CAPT. MERRILL LADENHEIM:** THANK YOU, MICHELLE. CAPTAIN MERRILL  
22 LADENHEIM AGAIN. THE LAUNCH OF THE YOUTH SAFE ZONE COMES ABOUT  
23 AS A RESULT OF THE MOTION, AND IS A REBRANDING AND A RENAMING  
24 OF THE SAFE HOUSE PROGRAM THAT WAS PREVIOUSLY INITIATED. THE  
25 SAFE USE ZONE PROVIDES A SAFE AND SECURE LOCATION FOR SEXUALLY





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1 EXPLOITED CHILDREN TO RUN TO AS A REFUGE AND ALSO OTHER AT-  
2 RISK CHILDREN THAT ARE EXPERIENCING ISSUES AND DIFFICULTIES  
3 THAT COME ABOUT AS AN EMERGENCY. TRAINED PROFESSIONALS WILL  
4 ASSESS THE IMMEDIATE NEEDS OF THIS CHILD AND TAKE APPROPRIATE  
5 ACTION. THEY WILL ALSO REPORT THIS ABUSE, WHERE RELEVANT, AND  
6 ALSO INITIATE THE FIRST RESPONDER PROTOCOL WHEN COMING ACROSS  
7 SEXUALLY EXPLOITED CHILDREN. THE LAUNCH OF THE SAFE YOUTH ZONE  
8 WILL OCCUR OCTOBER OF 2016 AND WILL PARALLEL WITH THE EFFORTS  
9 AND THE EXPANSION OF THE FIRST RESPONDER PROTOCOL. WE ARE  
10 GOING TO PILOT THIS AREA IN THE AREAS THAT WERE FIRST THE  
11 PILOT FOR THE FIRST RESPONDER PROTOCOL. AND THAT INCLUDES  
12 POLICE STATIONS, SHERIFF'S STATIONS AND FIRE STATIONS IN THE  
13 CITY OF LONG BEACH, COMPTON AND LYNWOOD. FROM THERE, WE WILL  
14 WORK OUT ANY ISSUES, ADJUST THE PROGRAM ACCORDINGLY AND PLAN  
15 TO ROLL THIS OUT ALONG WITH THE FIRST RESPONDER PROTOCOL. THE  
16 INITIAL PILOT AREA OF THE F.R.P. TO SHOWCASE THE SAFE USE ZONE  
17 WAS CHOSEN BECAUSE OF THAT AREA'S EXTENSIVE EXPERTISE AND  
18 ENGAGEMENT WITH OUR EXPLOITED YOUTH AND ALREADY ARE ENGAGED  
19 AND FAMILIAR WITH THIS WORK. THE PLAN WILL LATER INCLUDE  
20 HOSPITALS, CLINICS AND OTHER COUNTY FACILITIES AND CITY  
21 AGENCIES ENGAGED WITH THE FIRST RESPONDER PROTOCOL AS IT'S  
22 ROLLED OUT. IT WILL FORCE ROLLOUT TO SHERIFF'S STATIONS AND  
23 FIRE STATIONS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY WHO WILL ACT AS LIAISONS  
24 FOR THE SAFE YOUTH PROGRAM AS IT CONTINUES ITS EXPANSION. THE  
25 I.L.T. WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE IN THE DESIGN



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1 OF THE SAFE YOUTH ZONE DECAL AND EMBLEM, WHICH WILL BECOME  
2 READILY RECOGNIZABLE AND PROMINENT AT THOSE LOCATIONS OFFERING  
3 SAFE REFUGE. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU.

6

7 **MICHELLE GUYPON:** AND THEN LASTLY JUST AN UPDATE REGARDING  
8 ADVOCACY SERVICES. TO DATE THERE ARE 114 C.S.E.C. YOUTH  
9 RECEIVING ADVOCACY SERVICES. WITH THE TRAINING, THE EXTENSIVE  
10 TRAINING THAT HAS HAPPENED THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS  
11 AND ALSO WHICH HAS INCREASED THE AWARENESS OF EMPLOYEES AND  
12 ALSO THE NEWLY CREATED DREAM COURT IN THE DEPENDENCY SYSTEM,  
13 WE'RE WORKING VERY HARD TO ENSURE THAT ALL C.S.E.C.,  
14 IDENTIFIED C.S.E.C. YOUTH HAVE THE SERVICES AND SUPPORTS THEY  
15 NEED AND ADVOCACY SERVICES IS ONE OF THOSE CRITICAL SUPPORTS.  
16 SO OUR ADVOCACY SERVICES ARE GOING ALONG VERY WELL AND THE  
17 KIDS ARE GETTING THE SUPPORT THAT THEY NEED. AND AT THAT  
18 CONCLUDES OUR PRESENTATION.

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. JUST A FEW QUESTIONS.  
21 I THINK IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR US TO GET AS MUCH BY WAY AS  
22 RESPONSE AS POSSIBLE. SUPERVISOR KUEHL,, I DON'T KNOW IF YOU  
23 HAD ANY COMMENTS? THE FIRST ONE IS, HAVE ANY GEOGRAPHIC AREAS  
24 EXPRESSED RESISTANCE IN PARTICIPATING IN THE FIRST RESPONDER  
25 PROTOCOL? OR DO YOU HAVE BROAD FULL SCALE PARTICIPATION IN



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1 AREAS? PERHAPS IT SHOULD BE KNOWN SO THAT WE CAN PROVIDE THE  
2 SUPPORT THE SUPPORT THAT IS REQUIRED.

3

4 **MICHELLE GUYMON:** NO, WE HAVE NOT HAD ANY RESISTANCE AT ALL. IN  
5 FACT YESTERDAY AGAIN WE HAD OUR FIRST MEETING WITH L.A.P.D..  
6 AND THEY'RE EXCITED. THEY'RE READY. THEY'RE WANTING TO KNOW  
7 WHAT WE CAN DO. THEY'D PROBABLY LIKE TO START A LITTLE SOONER  
8 THAN WE'D LIKE TO START, BUT WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT  
9 EVERYTHING IS RUNNING ON BOARD. WE ALSO HAD SOME OF OUR  
10 INDEPENDENT STATIONS STARTING TO REACH OUT AS THEY UNDERSTAND  
11 THAT THIS ISSUE IS BECOMING AN ISSUE. SO WE HAVEN'T REALLY HAD  
12 ANY RESISTANCE AT ALL WITH THAT AND IT'S BEEN VERY  
13 COLLABORATIVE AS WE'VE MOVED ALONG.

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** COUNTYWIDE INTEREST? COUNTYWIDE  
16 PARTICIPATION?

17

18 **MICHELLE GUYMON, YES, ABSOLUTELY.**

19

20 **>>SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** CAN SERVICES BE PROVIDED TO  
21 QUOTE/UNQUOTE NONINVOLVED TRANSITION AGED YOUTH WHO MAY BE  
22 DISCOVERED THROUGH THE WORK OF THE FIRST RESPOND WONDERING?

23

24 **MICHELLE GUYMON:** YES. THAT'S SOMETHING THAT OUR WORKING GROUP  
25 IS WORKING ON. I KNOW CURRENTLY AND POSSIBLY CAPTAIN LADENHEIM



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1 CAN TALK ABOUT THAT. I KNOW CURRENTLY THROUGH THE FIRST  
2 RESPONDER PROTOCOL, WHEN THEY DO IDENTIFY, ESPECIALLY T.A.Y.  
3 AGE YOUTH, THE 18 TO 21, 18 TO 24 YEAR OLD POPULATION, THOSE  
4 YOUTH ARE RECEIVING SERVICES THROUGH THE HUMAN TRAFFICKING  
5 TASKFORCE IF YOU WANT TO TALK ABOUT THAT.

6

7 **CAPT. MERRILL LADENHEIM:** YES. WE'VE HAD MULTIPLE CASES WHERE  
8 WE HAVE HAD NON-SYSTEM-INVOLVED YOUTH THAT ARE NOT C.S.E.C..  
9 AND THOSE SERVICES HAVE BEEN PROVIDED BY WAY OF THE TASKFORCE  
10 GRANT BY THE COALITION TO ABOLISH SLAVERY AND TRAFFICKING.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** PERHAPS DOCUMENTATION WHAT THOSE NUMBERS  
13 LOOK LIKE WOULD BE USEFUL FOR US BECAUSE IT WOULD SUGGEST WORK  
14 THAT WE NEED TO BE DOING OTHERWISE, AND EXPANDING THE SUPPORT.  
15 BY WAY OF THE SUPPORT, S.B.855, THE POSSIBLE PROTOCOL  
16 DEVELOPMENT IN HOUSING RESEARCH, CAN THAT, THEN, BE COVERED  
17 WHICH THOSE FUNDS THAT WERE AWARDED?

18

19 **MICHELLE GUYMON:** YES.

20

21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** TO THE COUNTY?

22

23 **MICHELLE GUYMON:** YES.

24

25 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND HOW IS THAT GOING?



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2 **MICHELLE GUYMON:** WE'RE WORKING ON THAT NOW, ACTUALLY. WE'RE  
3 JUST BEGINNING WORK ON THAT AND HOPE TO DO THE RESEARCH AND  
4 GET THE INFORMATION INVOLVED TO BE ABLE TO GET THAT TAKEN CARE  
5 OF.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ONE OF THE FINAL QUESTIONS IS RELATED TO  
8 HOUSING. AND GIVEN THE INTENSE CONCERN THAT ARTICULATED WITH  
9 REGULARITY OF HOMELESSNESS, CONNECTION BETWEEN C.S.E.C. AND  
10 HOMELESSNESS IS OBVIOUSLY VERY, VERY IMPORTANT TO US. BUT IS  
11 THERE A SHORTAGE OF BEDS FOR THIS POPULATION? AND HAVE YOU  
12 BEEN ABLE TO CONNECT THAT PEOPLE NOT GO HOME TO FAMILIES WITH  
13 HOUSING? PERHAPS THE BOARD WOULD BENEFIT FROM YOUR INSIGHT AS  
14 TO HOW THAT MIGHT NEED TO DO TO BE ATTENTIVE TO THOSE ISSUES.

15

16 **NAFTALI SAMPSON:** WE CONTINUE TO LOOK FOR RESOURCES FOR ALL OUR  
17 SYSTEM-INVOLVED YOUTH. BUT WE DON'T FEEL AT THIS TIME THAT  
18 THERE'S A SHORTAGE. WHAT WE NEED TO DO IS LOOK AT USING THE  
19 RESEARCH TO LEARN WHAT SERVICES WE NEED TO PUT IN PLACE WITH  
20 THE EXISTING BEDS THAT WE DO HAVE. WE RECENTLY, DEPARTMENT OF  
21 CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES PROVIDED A LETTER OF SUPPORT TO  
22 AN AGENCY WHO IS INTERESTED IN SERVING THIS POPULATION  
23 SPECIFICALLY AS A GROUP HOME. THEY'RE KNOWN INTERNATIONALLY TO  
24 WORKING WITH HUMAN TRAFFICKING. RECENTLY A GROUP HOME THAT WE  
25 CURRENTLY HAVE A CONTRACT WITH HAS GONE TO THE STATE TO



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1 REQUEST AND HAS APPROVED AN INCREASE IN THEIR BEDS AND OPENED  
2 UP A NEW BED, NEW GROUP HOME SPECIFICALLY FOR THE C.S.E.C.  
3 POPULATION. UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF THE OFFICE OF CHILD  
4 PROTECTION, OUR DEPARTMENTS ARE WORKING ON HOW DO WE ADDRESS  
5 THE PLACEMENT NEEDS OF OUR HIGH NEEDS YOUTH AND CHILDREN? ONE  
6 OF THE PROJECTS THAT WE'RE WORKING WITH INTEGRATES A LOT OF  
7 THE OTHER DEPARTMENTS WITHIN THE COUNTY, INCLUDING DEPARTMENT  
8 OF MENTAL HEALTH, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES. WHAT WE'RE  
9 LOOKING TO DO WITH OUR ACCELERATED PLACEMENT TEAM IS WRAP  
10 THOSE SERVICES WITH THE YOUTH TO FOLLOW THE YOUTH THROUGHOUT  
11 THEIR PLACEMENT STARTING, IF THEY START IN PLACEMENT WITHIN  
12 THE TRANSITIONAL SHELTER CARES. I THINK THE RESEARCH THAT WE  
13 WILL HAVE IN THE FUTURE WILL HELP US ADDRESS FURTHER WHERE WE  
14 NEED TO PUT THE SERVICES WITHIN OUR EXISTING BEDS.

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WE DID UNDERSTAND YOU TO SAY THERE IS NO  
17 SHORTAGE OF BEDS AT THIS POINT, CORRECT?

18

19 **NAFTALI SAMPSON:** CORRECT.

20

21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** INTERESTING. ALL RIGHT. COLLEAGUES?  
22 QUESTIONS, COMMENTS FOR OUR STAFF? SUPERVISOR KNABE?

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** I HAVE JUST A COUPLE QUESTIONS ON THE MOTION THAT  
25 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND I DID TRYING TO CREATE A PATH



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1 FORWARD. ARE WE-- ALL THESE NUMEROUS CIRCUMSTANCES WHERE WE'RE  
2 ENCOUNTERING THESE VICTIMS, PARTICULARLY IN OUR JUVENILE  
3 HALLS, IN DEPENDENCY COURTS, ARE THE PROTOCOLS MOVING TO THAT  
4 POINT YET? ARE THEY BEING ESTABLISHED?

5

6 **MICHELLE GUYMON:** YES. SO WE HAVE VARIOUS WORKGROUPS RIGHT NOW  
7 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY THAT ENGAGE A LOT OF OUR COUNTY AGENCIES  
8 ALONG WITH OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS THAT ARE WORKING ON VARIOUS  
9 PROTOCOLS. BUT WE NEED TO GET THEM FINISHED. IT'S A PRETTY  
10 LABORIOUS PROCESS. BUT WE'RE WORKING ON A PROTOCOL FOR  
11 IDENTIFICATION AND RESPONSE WITHIN OUR JUVENILE HALLS. ALSO  
12 VICTIM WITNESS TESTIMONY PROTOCOL FOR YOUNG PEOPLE WHO ARE  
13 TESTIFYING AGAINST TRAFFICKERS, AND AGAIN BRINGING THE VARIOUS  
14 PLAYERS TOGETHER. BUT STILL NEED TO HAVE THE TIME AND CAPACITY  
15 TO REALLY PUT THOSE TOGETHER TO MEMORIALIZE THOSE AND PUT THEM  
16 INTO EFFECT.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** IT'S OBVIOUS WHEN WE ARE ABLE TO ISOLATE IT AND  
19 GET THEM INTO THE STAR COURT, AS AN EXAMPLE, I MEAN, THAT'S  
20 THE BEST OF ALL WORLDS. BUT A LOT OF THEM GET INTO THE SYSTEM  
21 WITHOUT BEING ABLE TO ACCESS THE STAR COURT, CORRECT?

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23 **DIANE IGLESIAS:** I THINK NOW THAT THE CHILDREN ARE COMING  
24 WITHIN THE CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM?

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1   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YOUR NAME, YOUR RANK AND YOUR SERIAL  
2   NUMBER, PLEASE.

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4   **DIANE IGLESIAS:** DIANE IGLESIAS, DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND  
5   FAMILY SERVICES, I'M SENIOR DEPUTY DIRECTOR.

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7   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHTY.

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9   **DIANE IGLESIAS:** I THINK NOW THAT THE CHILDREN ARE COMING  
10   WITHIN THE CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM, WE'VE BEEN TRYING TO DEVELOP  
11   A SORT OF MIRRORED COURTROOM THROUGH THE DREAM COURT. AND SO  
12   WE'RE COMING UP WITH PROTOCOLS AND PRACTICES IN THAT COURT  
13   WHERE ALL OF THE PERSONNEL IN THAT COURTROOM ARE TRAINED. I  
14   KNOW THEY'VE HAD C.S.E.C 101. I KNOW THEY'RE SIGNING UP FOR  
15   C.S.E.C. 102. SO ALL THE PERSONNEL IN THAT COURTROOM, FROM THE  
16   BAILIFF TO THE CLERK, THE ATTORNEYS, THE SOCIAL WORKERS AND  
17   THE JUDGE HAVE BEEN TRAINED. THERE'S GOING TO BE AN  
18   OPPORTUNITY COMING UP, I BELIEVE IN THE NEXT THREE WEEKS OR SO  
19   WHERE THERE'S GOING TO BE CROSS TRAINING WITH THE STAR COURT  
20   WE CAN STAY PRETTY TRUE TO THAT MODEL SINCE IT'S SUCCESSFUL.  
21   ADDITIONALLY WITH THAT, WITH THE DREAM COURT, WE'VE BEEN ABLE  
22   TO ADD ON A LITTLE BIT OF AN INNOVATIVE-- WE'RE DOING  
23   RESTORATION FUNDS AND CASE PLANNING THAT CENTER ON B.T.  
24   PROCESS WITH MENTAL HEALTH, WITH PROBATION, WHEN NECESSARY  
25   WITH D.C.F.S. AND SO WE'RE REALLY TRYING TO MIRROR THAT



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1   PROCESS TO COME UP WITH THOSE PROTOCOLS. SO WE'RE HOPING THAT  
2   IN TWO YEARS YOU'LL BE COMING BACK AND GOING THE DREAM COURT  
3   IS AS GOOD AS THE STAR COURT, AND THAT'S THE GOAL.

4

5   **SUP. KNABE:** GOOD. PROBABLY SHOULD HAVE STARTED OUT BY JUST  
6   THANKING ALL OF YOU, THE LEADERSHIP TEAM AND THE EFFORTS THAT  
7   YOU'VE ALL PUT INTO THIS, THESE PROTOCOLS AND FOR BRINGING  
8   THESE TO FRUITION. I WOULD JUST ADD THAT THE LAST SEVERAL DAYS  
9   THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES HAVE BEEN IN TOWN. AND  
10   THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES IS WELL REPRESENTED BY MICHELLE ON  
11   SEVERAL OCCASIONS AND OTHERS. IT'S A HUGE ISSUE NATIONALLY, AS  
12   WELL. AND IT WAS VERY NICE TO SEE OUR FOLKS RECOGNIZED FOR  
13   WHAT WE'RE DOING AND BEING ABLE TO SHARE THAT KNOWLEDGE WITH  
14   OTHERS THROUGHOUT THE NATION. I WANT TO THANK YOU ALL. TO THE  
15   SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, HOW IS THAT PARTNERSHIP WITH I THINK  
16   IT'S CALLED DEMAND ABOLITION? CAN YOU SORT OF TELL US ABOUT  
17   THAT?

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19   **CAPT. MERRILL LADENHEIM:** YES, SUPERVISOR. DEMAND ABOLITION  
20   CEASE NETWORK, WE'VE REACHED OUT TO THEM. WE'VE MET WITH THEM  
21   TWICE AND THEIR BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE VOTED TO PARTNER WITH  
22   THE LOS ANGELES REGIONAL TASKFORCE AND THE COUNTY TO EXPAND  
23   DEMAND OPTIONS AND COME UP WITH RESOURCES TO FIGHT THE  
24   SUPPLY/DEMAND SITUATION. WE ARE CURRENTLY IN THE PROCESS OF  
25   DEVELOPING AN M.O.U. WE'RE WAIT TOGETHER HEAR BACK FROM DEMAND



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1 ABOLITION. WE ARE CURRENTLY-- WE HAVE A VERY ROBUST  
2 SUPPLY/DEMAND OPERATION IN OUR THREE PRONGED ATTACK AGAINST  
3 TRAFFICKING. THAT RELATIONSHIP WOULD DEMAND ABOLITION WOULD  
4 GIVE US ADDITIONAL TOOLS AND RESOURCES TO ACCOMPLISH THAT  
5 GOAL. AND WE'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO CEMENTING THE RELATIONSHIP.

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7 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU.

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9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL FOLLOWED BY SUPERVISOR  
10 ANTONOVICH.

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12 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR. FIRST OF ALL, I THINK  
13 THERE ARE SOME VERY GOOD LESSONS IN THE PROGRESS THAT YOU'VE  
14 MADE THAT I WANT TO CALL ATTENTION TO. THE FIRST OF THEM, I  
15 THINK THE MOST OBVIOUS, IS THE WHOLE NOTION OF TEAM. WHERE YOU  
16 HAVE AN INTEGRATED LEADERSHIP TEAM THAT CUTS ACROSS THE  
17 VARIOUS DIVISIONS, DEPARTMENTS, ET CETERA IN THE COUNTY TO SEE  
18 WHERE WE OVERLAP, WHERE WE CAN WORK TOGETHER, WHERE IT WORKS.  
19 I THINK THIS HAS SHOWN THAT IT'S A VERY GOOD APPROACH FOR US  
20 AND ONE THAT WE WILL WANT TO MIRROR IN MANY WAYS. THE SECOND  
21 THING IS THE INTERESTING THING ABOUT HOW AN ENTIRE COUNTY CAN  
22 PIVOT WHEN THEY FINALLY GET TO THE POINT WHERE THEY HEAR WHAT  
23 A NATIONAL MOVEMENT, NATIONAL GROUP OF PEOPLE, THE DEVELOPMENT  
24 OF AN IDEA BEGINS TO MAKE SENSE. THAT IDEA IN THIS CASE BEING  
25 THAT THESE YOUNG PEOPLE ARE VICTIMS, NOT PERPETRATORS. AND



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1 WHEN THE COUNTY SAID "WE AGREE" AND ASKED THE SHERIFF ALSO  
2 PLEASE-- AND THE POLICE CHIEFS ACROSS CITIES IN THE COUNTY--  
3 TO ALSO AGREE, AND PEOPLE DID STEP UP, PRETTY MUCH UNIFORMLY.  
4 AND HAVE MADE A CHANGE, AT LEAST AT THIS MOMENT IN 112 LIVES,  
5 WHATEVER THAT WAS UNIQUE PEOPLE AND I THINK PEOPLE SAY OH, BUT  
6 THE PROBLEM IS SO MUCH BIGGER. BUT I DON'T CARE. EVEN WHEN WE  
7 TALK ABOUT ENDING HOMELESSNESS, OFTEN WHAT WE'RE TALKING  
8 ABOUT-- AND AGAIN TO CHANNEL MOLLIE LOWERY, TALKING ABOUT  
9 ENDING HOMELESSNESS FOR JOHN SMITH OR MARY SMITH OR, YOU KNOW,  
10 JACK SPRAT. IT'S NOT NECESSARILY THAT WE FAILED IF WE HAVEN'T  
11 DONE ALL OF OUR RESCUE MISSIONS THIS WEEK. THAT SAID, I THINK  
12 SOME OF THE ISSUES THAT YOU'RE DEVELOPING AND I BELIEVE A  
13 MOTION IS CALLING FOR AN ADDITIONAL REPORT BACK THAT WE'RE  
14 ADOPTING, POTENTIALLY ADOPTING TODAY, THE ISSUE OF MOVING THE  
15 IDEA OF THESE YOUNG WOMEN MOSTLY FROM PERPETRATOR TO VICTIM  
16 MEANT THAT THEY'RE NO LONGER IN THE JUVENILE COURT, THAT IS  
17 DELINQUENCY, BUT IN DEPENDENCY WHICH IS WHY DEPENDENCY HAS TO,  
18 AND IS, I THINK, STEPPING UP TO SEE, WHAT DO WE DO WHEN THESE  
19 CHILDREN ARE NOT IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM BUT THE  
20 WELFARE SYSTEM AND HOW DO WE DEAL WITH THEM? THE ISSUE OF  
21 IDENTIFICATION IS ALSO AN INTERESTING ONE BECAUSE ALMOST 3/4  
22 OF ALL THE YOUNG WOMEN IN OUR SYSTEM IDENTIFIED AS VICTIMS OF  
23 SEXUAL ABUSE. THEY ARE NOT NECESSARILY TRAFFICKED BY WHICH WE  
24 GENERALLY MEAN FORCED INTO SEXUAL SERVITUDE, BUT THEY ARE  
25 ABUSED OFTEN BY FAMILY MEMBERS, SOMETIMES BY GROUPS LIKE



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1 GANGS, ET CETERA. AND THEY WILL WONDER WHERE THE SERVICES FOR  
2 ME? AND I THINK OUR CONTINUING SENSITIVITY AND REALLY NOT  
3 DRAWING A HUGE BRIGHT LINE WHERE WE'RE GIVING SERVICES FOR  
4 SEXUALLY ABUSED YOUNG PEOPLE WILL BE VERY IMPORTANT TO US. THE  
5 THIRD THING IS THE REPORT BACK CALLS FOR SOME REPORT ABOUT THE  
6 VARIOUS KINDS OF HOUSING WE'RE LOOKING AT. BECAUSE WE'VE BEEN  
7 TALKING ABOUT A NUMBER OF VERY SPECIFIC AND DIFFERENT OPTIONS.  
8 SO I WOULD HOPE THAT THE REPORT BACK WILL TALK ABOUT THESE  
9 VARIOUS OPTIONS TO HELP US THROUGH THE QUESTION ABOUT--  
10 BECAUSE WE AT ONE POINT WERE TALKING ABOUT LOCKED AND UNLOCKED  
11 FACILITIES, REMOTE AS OPPOSED TO MAYBE A GOOD IDEA TO KEEP A  
12 PERSON IN THEIR OWN COMMUNITY BECAUSE THEY GET SOME SUPPORT.  
13 OR IS IT A BAD IDEA BECAUSE THAT'S WHERE THEIR PIMP WAS AND  
14 THE PIMP'S GETTING SUPPORT? THE ONE BIG FACILITY WHERE  
15 C.S.E.C. YOUNGSTERS ARE ALL CONCENTRATED IN ONE PLACE LIKE YOU  
16 TALKED ABOUT SERVICE PROVIDERS THAT SAY WE'LL SPECIALIZE IN  
17 THIS? WHETHER THAT MAKES MORE SENSE THAN SCATTERED SITES FOR  
18 OTHER KINDS OF YOUNG PEOPLE AND OTHER KINDS OF PROGRAMS THAT  
19 WE MAY HAVE THAT COULD HELP THEM? FAMILY-BASED HOUSING VERSUS  
20 FACILITY OR COUNTY-RUN OR C.B.O. KIND OF HOUSING? I THINK IN  
21 THE REPORT, YOU MAY NOT SAY "HERE'S THE ONE BEST SOLUTION",  
22 BUT IT WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL TO US, I THINK, TO UNDERSTAND THE  
23 PROS AND CONS FROM OTHER STATES, FROM OTHER JURISDICTIONS AND  
24 FROM OUR OWN TO HELP US MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS. BUT MOSTLY I  
25 WANTED TO SAY GOOD JOB.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, PLEASE?

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ALSO JOIN TO CONGRATULATE YOU ON THE HARD  
5 WORK YOU'VE BEEN DOING ON THIS. WE HEAR ABOUT THE INDIVIDUALS  
6 COMING FROM FOSTER CARE, FOSTER HOMES. AND THE LAW BEING WITH  
7 THE 72-HOUR HOLD, YOU'RE LIMITED AS TO HOW YOU CAN HELP THE  
8 VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ABUSE. HOW ARE YOU ABLE TO HELP THOSE YOUNG  
9 PEOPLE TO GET STABILIZED IN MAKING CONSTRUCTIVE DECISIONS  
10 INSTEAD OF HAVING THEIR PIMP BAIL THEM OUT AND PUT THEM BACK  
11 ON THE STREET?

12

13 **MICHELLE GUYPON:** WELL I THINK ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE HAVE  
14 SEEN OVER AND OVER AND OVER AGAIN AND WE'RE LOOKING FOR THIS  
15 MAGIC PILL IF YOU WOULD OR MAGIC SOLUTION TO, YOU KNOW, HOW  
16 THESE KIDS WILL STABILIZE. AND I THINK WHAT I KEEP HEARING  
17 OVER AND OVER IS RELATIONSHIPS ARE THE INTERVENTION. AND THE  
18 YOUTH MAY NOT STAY THE FIRST TIME. THEY MAY RUN TWO OR THREE  
19 TIMES, BUT IF WE STAY CONSISTENT IN THAT, IN THE SERVICE WITH  
20 ADVOCATES AND WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE SYSTEM AND OTHER  
21 COMMUNITY PARTNERS, I THINK THE RELATIONSHIP BUILDING, BECAUSE  
22 AGAIN IT'S A LOT ABOUT TRUST. THEY HAVEN'T TRUSTED US IN THE  
23 PAST. WE HAVEN'T DONE A GOOD JOB BY THIS POPULATION, IN MY  
24 OPINION. AND SO BY CHANGING THAT, I THINK WITH THOSE  
25 RELATIONSHIPS AND CONSISTENCY AND REALLY SHOWING UP AND EVEN



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1 OUTSIDE OF 9 TO 5 HOURS WHERE YOU REALLY HAVE TO SHOW UP, IT  
2 STARTS TO BUILD RELATIONSHIPS WHERE KIDS' RUNS ARE LESS AND  
3 LESS AND KIDS' STAYS IN THEIR HOME AND DIFFERENT FOSTER CARE  
4 PROGRAMS GET LONGER AND LONGER AND I THINK THAT'S WHERE WE  
5 START TO SEE SOME OF THE SUCCESS BECAUSE ALSO IT'S KIND OF  
6 KNOWN AS A LONG GAME. THIS IS NOT A SHORT GAME. IT IS MORE OF  
7 A LONGER-TERM PROCESS. I THINK THROUGH THAT WE'RE STARTING TO  
8 SEE SOME SUCCESSES. I MEAN, WE'VE GOT SOME YOUTH RIGHT NOW  
9 THAT HAVE BEEN IN OUR PROGRAM FOR THREE OR FOUR YEARS THAT ARE  
10 AT THE STATE LEVEL NOW IN A SURVIVOR ADVOCACY ROLE HELPING  
11 STATE LEGISLATION WITH THEIR VOICE AND ALSO THROUGHOUT THE  
12 COUNTRY. SO I THINK THOSE ARE SOME OF THE GOOD THINGS THAT  
13 WE'RE SEEING. AND A LOT OF THEIR COMMENTS GO ALL THE WAY BACK  
14 TO PEOPLE JUST SHOWING UP, PEOPLE BEING CONSISTENT AND PEOPLE  
15 BEING THROUGH THOSE RELATIONSHIPS THAT HAVE MADE A BIG  
16 DIFFERENCE.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW ARE THEIR PIMPS TRYING TO DESTROY THOSE  
19 RELATIONSHIPS?

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21 **MICHELLE GUYMON:** THEY'RE TRYING REALLY HARD. YOU KNOW, I THINK  
22 THAT'S ALWAYS THE PIECE. I MEAN, WHEN YOU'RE-- I THINK FOR SO  
23 LONG, AS WELL, WE DIDN'T HAVE OUR EYE ON THIS. WE WEREN'T  
24 PAYING ATTENTION TO THIS. AND NOW THAT WE HAVE PAID ATTENTION  
25 TO IT, SO THEREFORE THEY HAD CARTE BLANCHE TO JUST WHATEVER





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1 THEY WANTED TO. AND NOW THAT KIDS UNDERSTAND THAT WE DO HAVE  
2 SERVICES AND THAT THE SERVICES ARE PROVEN TO BE POSITIVE, THAT  
3 KIDS ARE REACHING MORE TO SERVICES AND SUPPORTS. AND EVEN  
4 WITHIN THE LAST YEAR, WE'VE HAD MORE YOUNG PEOPLE, BRAVE YOUNG  
5 PEOPLE, STAND UP AND TESTIFY AGAINST THEIR TRAFFICKERS, DO YOU  
6 KNOW WHAT I MEAN? AND BE COOPERATIVE WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT AND  
7 WITH THE D.A.'S OFFICE TO DO THAT. AND I THINK BECAUSE WE'VE  
8 BECOME MORE AWARE AND BECAUSE THE SHIFT IN OUR PERCEPTION AND  
9 THE SHIFT IN OUR ATTITUDES HAVE MADE A BIG DIFFERENCE IN THAT  
10 KIND OF LIKE THAT LONG GAME.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT AND THE FACT THAT YOU'RE USING SURVIVORS, I  
13 THINK, TO ASSIST THAT THEY KNOW THAT THERE'S AN OPPORTUNITY OR  
14 POTENTIAL TO GET OUT OF THE SYSTEM. AND YOUR USE OF SURVIVORS  
15 IS JUST FANTASTIC. WE CAN ALL TALK ABOUT IT AND HOW HORRIFIC  
16 IT IS, BUT WHEN YOU'VE LIVED THAT HELL AND THEY CAN RELATE TO  
17 THAT.

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19 **NAFTALI SAMPSON:** AND I THINK FROM THE DEPENDENCY SIDE, WE'VE  
20 TALKED ABOUT THE INTEGRATION AND LEADERSHIP AND PARTNERSHIP  
21 AND TEAMING FROM THE HIGHER LEVEL. OUR DEPARTMENT IS WORKING  
22 WITH PROBATION AND THE SHERIFF ON THE LOWER LEVEL, ON THE  
23 CASE-SPECIFIC, FROM THE BEGINNING, WHAT SENIOR DEPUTY DIRECTOR  
24 DIANE IGLESIAS TALKED ABOUT, MIRRORING THE STAR COURT BUT ALSO  
25 THE MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM FROM THE GET GO INCORPORATING THE



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1 VOICE OF THE CHILD INTO THE CASE PLANNING, WE HOPE TO SEE  
2 BETTER RESULTS WITHIN THAT 72 HOURS.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. WE'RE GOING TO TURN TO THOSE  
5 WHO WISH TO BE HEARD AT THIS TIME. LET ME JUST SIMPLY SAY THAT  
6 WHICH IS BEFORE US IS R-1 AND 16. R-1 IS THE RECEIVE AND FILE.  
7 16 IS TO BE ACTED UPON TODAY. IT IS ESSENTIALLY A MOTION BY  
8 SUPERVISOR KNABE AND MYSELF ESTABLISHING C.S.E.C. PROTOCOLS,  
9 BUILDING ON THE EXEMPLARY WORK THAT'S HAPPENED OVER THE PAST  
10 FIVE YEARS IN TERMS OF OUR PIONEERING, LIFESAVING PROGRAMMING,  
11 AS MISS DIANE HAD JUST INDICATED, WAS A POPULATION THAT HAD  
12 BEEN PREVIOUSLY NEGLECTED, PRACTICALLY UNDER THE RADAR IN  
13 COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. WE KNOW NOW.  
14 THEREFORE WE ARE OBLIGED TO ACT. THEREFORE, UPON TO BUILD ON  
15 THE CONTINUING AND IN SOME WAYS TRAIL BLAZING WORK THAT THIS  
16 COUNTY HAS DONE, THAT BOARD MEMBERS HAVE TIPPED THEIR HATS TO  
17 STAFF FOR THE WORK THAT'S BEEN DONE, I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE  
18 ENGAGEMENT OF THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD IN A VARIETY OF WAYS,  
19 SUPERVISOR KNABE, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND  
20 SUPERVISOR KUEHL FOR KEEPING THIS ISSUE AT THE FOREFRONT NOW.  
21 THERE'S A NEED TO ENGAGE EXPERTS, AS THE MOTION INDICATES, IN  
22 THE CODIFICATION AND RESEARCH. THIS WILL ALLOW FOR INCREASED  
23 EXPERTISE, CONSISTENCY AND PRACTICE AND BETTER OUTCOMES FOR  
24 THE POPULATION UNDER CONSIDERATIONS-- UNDER CONSIDERATION AND  
25 OUR RESOURCES CAN BE FOUND THROUGH THE COUNTY'S HEALTHIER



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1 COMMUNITIES, STRONGER FAMILIES THRIVING CHILDREN'S FUNDS AND  
2 THE STATE'S S.B.855 FUNDS. SO WE NEED TO PUSH. WE HAVE  
3 COLLABORATORS AT THE HIGHEST LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT, SUCH AS  
4 DIANE FEINSTEIN BEING ONE EXAMPLE AT THE U.S. SENATE LEVEL,  
5 SENATOR HOLLY MITCHELL IN STATE SENATE. CONGRESS, OF COURSE,  
6 WE HAD CONGRESSMAN TED LIU, MANY OTHERS WHO COULD BE  
7 MENTIONED, KAREN BASS, A WHOLE RANGE OF INDIVIDUALS. SO THIS  
8 IS WORK THAT IS HUGEY IMPORTANT. WE'RE ON TO SOMETHING  
9 MEANINGFUL. AND THE MOTION SEEKS TO PUSH IT TO THE NEXT LEVEL  
10 AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO THE REPORT BACK FROM THE OFFICE OF  
11 CHILD PROTECTION AND THE C.E.O. WITH THAT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR  
12 KNABE HAVING BEEN INTRODUCED, WE'LL LISTEN NOW TO THOSE WHO  
13 WISH TO BE HEARD, ARNOLD SACHS, DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. ERIC  
14 PREVEN. I'D ASK THAT YOU COME FORWARD AT THIS TIME. HERMAN  
15 HERMAN, JUAN ALCALA. GERI MANNING. JOHN WALSH. DR. DIANA  
16 BEARD-WILLIAMS, EVANGELIST MIKE JENKINS. IN THAT ORDER,  
17 PLEASE. YOUR COMMENTS, WE REQUEST, FOCUS ON ITEM 16 AND R-1  
18 RELATED TO SEXUAL EXPLOITATION AND TRAFFICKING OF CHILDREN.  
19 SIR.

20

21 **ERIC PREVEN:** AND R-1 TAKEN TOGETHER, I ASSUME. THANK YOU. IT  
22 IS ERIC PREVEN FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT AND I THINK THE YOUTH  
23 SAFE ZONE OR SAFE YOUTH ZONE SOUNDS GOOD AS A WAY TO IDENTIFY  
24 THAT SPACE. IT'S A GOOD WAY TO LOOK AT IT. AND I WAS  
25 ENCOURAGED TO SEE THAT SINCE FEBRUARY 2012 WHEN THERE WERE



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1 ABOUT 100 PEOPLE TRAINED AT C.S.E.C. TRAINING, YOU'VE  
2 INCREASED THAT TO ALMOST A THOUSAND, WHICH IS IMPRESSIVE OVER  
3 THOSE FOUR YEARS. BUT WE SHOULD BE SURE THAT EVERYBODY HAS  
4 THAT TRAINING. AND THERE WAS SOME MONEY TALKED ABOUT FROM  
5 S.B.55 OR SOME OTHER STATE SENATE BILL PROGRAM THAT'S BEING  
6 MOVED ALONG, BUT HOW MUCH MONEY? AND HOW MUCH MONEY ARE WE  
7 SPENDING ON THIS? ARE THERE NEEDS THAT WE'RE NOT MEETING?  
8 THERE ARE 100 AND SOME CHILDREN WHO WERE IDENTIFIED DURING  
9 THIS PERIOD THAT THEY'VE LOOKED, AND A NUMBER OF THEM HAVE  
10 RESULTED IN RECOVERIES, WHICH IS VERY, VERY POWERFUL TO HEAR.  
11 SO WE HAVE TO KEEP UP DOING THIS WORK. BUT I WANTED TO ASK  
12 ABOUT THE SOME OF THE QUESTIONS THAT SUPERVISOR KUEHL BROUGHT  
13 UP WHICH SEEMED REASONABLE, ACTUALLY, LIKE DOES IT MAKE MORE  
14 SENSE TO KEEP THEM AROUND THE CHILDREN ONCE THEY'VE BEEN SORT  
15 OF DETAINED, OR DOES IT MAKE SENSE AS I WAS ONCE SUGGESTING TO  
16 PARTNER UP WITH SOUTHWEST AND GET THEM TO ANOTHER JURISDICTION  
17 BECAUSE THE PIMP IS GOING TO MAKE SIMILAR APPROACHES. WE'VE  
18 SEEN THAT CYCLE IS UNBREAKABLE OR HAS BEEN. SO I DON'T KNOW.  
19 BUT I FEEL LIKE THIS GROUP IS WORKING DILIGENTLY. WE STILL  
20 NEED TO FOCUS ON THE FOUR BIG PROBLEMS. THE BIGGEST PROBLEM OF  
21 ALL IN THIS SPACE WHICH IS THE PRODUCTION BECAUSE OF PEOPLE  
22 WHO HAVE BEEN DISENFRANCHISED FROM REGULAR FAMILY LIFE AND  
23 REGULAR FAMILIES. THE PRODUCTION OF THIS KIND OF INDIVIDUAL  
24 WHO FEELS EXPLOITED AND GETS PUT INTO THIS WORK. SO KEEP UP  
25 THE GOOD WORK.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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4 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

5 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I'M REALLY EXCITED TO SEE WHAT'S GOING

6 ON. I THINK IT'S ABOUT TIME. SOME FOCUS IS BEING PLACED ON

7 THAT AREA. I WOULD HAVE LOVED TO KNOW IF IT WAS SPECIAL

8 PLANNING TO DEAL WITH CHILDREN WHO ARE FROM THE THE L.G.B.T.

9 COMMUNITY BECAUSE I NEVER HEARD MENTION OF IT AT ALL. ALSO

10 WHEN YOU CALL ME ABOUT EVEN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SO ON, IT'S

11 VERY DIFFICULT TO FIND SERVICES DEALING WITH THAT AREA. ALSO I

12 THINK TO DO MAYBE LONG TERM PLANNING WOULD BE VERY IMPORTANT.

13 SO THOSE INDIVIDUALS CAN LOOK TOWARD THE FUTURE TO MAKE SOME

14 PLANS, AND MAYBE SOME MORE LONG TERM GOAL. THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WE THANK YOU. WANT TO GIVE AN

17 ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO ANITA DEFRANCE WHO IS IN THE AUDIENCE WHO IS

18 CHAMPIONING THIS ISSUE AND WE WELCOME ALL THE LEADERSHIP SHE'S

19 GOING TO BRING TO BEAR. SHE'S BEEN DOING A WONDERFUL JOB IN

20 TERMS OF RESEARCHING. SHE'S MOVING TO THE NEXT PHASE OF HER

21 CAREER AND DOING EXTRAORDINARY THINGS. AND SO THANK YOU FOR

22 BEING HERE, MISS DEFRANCE, AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO

23 COLLABORATING WITH YOU. ALL RIGHT. WE'LL TAKE THE NEXT

24 SPEAKER. I NOTE THAT OSCAR MUHAMMAD WISHES TO BE HEARD ON ITEM



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1 R-1 AND 16, AS WELL. NEXT SPEAKER? MISS MANNING, WOULD YOU  
2 LIKE TO BE HEARD ON THIS ITEM?

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4 **GERI MANNING:** YES. I AM SIGNED UP FOR TWO. SHOULD I HAVE THREE  
5 MINUTES FOR THE COMBINATION OF TWO?

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY THOMAS:** NO. THE ITEM BEFORE YOU IS ITEM R-1 AND  
8 16. THEY ARE BEING HEARD TOGETHER, YES.

9

10 **GERI MANNING:** ALL RIGHT. MARK 3:24. AND IF A KINGDOM BE  
11 DIVIDED AGAINST ITSELF, THAT KINGDOM CANNOT STAND. IT SPOKE ON  
12 IMPRISONMENT FOR THE YOUTH IN TIMES OF SEXUAL EXPLOITATION.  
13 THAT'S WHAT I WAS EXPECTING TO HEAR FROM. BUT THE PANEL'S  
14 PRESENTATION COVERS MORE THAN JUST THAT ITEM R-1. "FOR A  
15 NATION SHALL RISE AGAINST NATIONS AND KINGDOM AGAINST KINGDOM  
16 AND THERE SHALL BE FAMINES PESTILENCE AND EARTHQUAKES IN  
17 DIVERSE PLACES." MUTUAL ASSURED DESTRUCTION. M.A.D.  
18 REVELATIONS 22:16. "I, JESUS, HAVE SENT MY ANGEL TO TESTIFY  
19 UNTO YOU THESE THINGS IN THE CHURCHES. I AM THE ROOT AND  
20 OFFSPRING OF DAVID AND THE BRIGHT AND MORNING STAR." I AM  
21 FACING CRIMINAL PERSECUTION, GOVERNMENTAL PERSECUTION AND MY  
22 MANNING LIBERTIES FOUNDATION I WOULD LIKE TO BRING THESE  
23 ISSUES FORTH.

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1   **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** MA'AM, ARE YOU SPEAKING ABOUT THE ITEMS  
2   THAT THE CHAIR HAS IDENTIFIED? ITEM 16 AND R-1?

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4   **GERI MANNING:** FOR SEXUALLY EXPLOITATION? I CHOSE OTHER. I DO  
5   NOT AGREE.

6

7   **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** THOSE ARE THE ITEMS THAT YOU ARE ABLE  
8   TO ADDRESS RIGHT NOW BEFORE THE BOARD.

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10   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** FEEL FREE TO ADDRESS ALL OF THAT IN PUBLIC  
11   COMMENT. YOU'RE WELCOME TO DO SO, MS. MANNING. ALL RIGHT, NEXT  
12   SPEAKER, PLEASE. LET ME MAKE NOTE OF THE FACT THAT SALAAM ALIM  
13   WISHES TO BE HEARD ON THIS ITEM, AS WELL. SO IF HE WOULD COME  
14   FORWARD AT THIS TIME.

15

16   **HERMAN HERMAN:** SO WHAT URGED, ARE WE NOT URGED BY THE STATE  
17   BAR TO DISCIPLINE SUCH BEHAVIOR OF PIMPING? I MEAN, JOHNS COME  
18   INTO CITY HALL, COME INTO OUR NEIGHBORHOODS, TAKING ADVANTAGE  
19   OF YOUNG WOMEN? ARE WE NOT DISGUSTED BY THOSE SWEAT SHOPS FOR  
20   POLE DANCERS AND CLASSICAL DANCERS UP IN THE VALLEY. HOW MANY  
21   HEARINGS HAVE WE GONE TO AND PARTICIPATED REGARDING L.A.P.D.'S  
22   DETECTIVES THAT GO OUT AND DO THEIR REVIEW ON WHETHER OR NOT  
23   SUCH CLUBS ARE DECENT OR NOT. BUT AS THE ATTORNEY TAKES MY  
24   PICTURE FOR THE RECORD, I'D LIKE TO ADVISE HER THAT, YES, I  
25   PARTICIPATED IN MANY MEETINGS IN L.A.P.D. WHERE I'VE READ AND





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1 TALKED ABOUT THE DOGS AND THE JOHNS WHO HAVE ABUSED WOMEN, FOR  
2 EXAMPLE, MR. ADELMAN AT THE PUBLIC BUILDING SAFETY GENTLEMAN  
3 WITH THE SPECIAL PILL CALLED A DATE RAPE PILL. THEY'RE THE  
4 SAME PILL THEY GIVE TO KIDS. LET ALONE THE STATE BAR HASN'T  
5 URGED ANY DISCIPLINE ON ADMINISTRATORS WHO TAKE ADVANTAGE LIKE  
6 JOSE HUIZAR TO CONDUCT BUSINESS ON BEHALF OF PUBLIC INTERESTS.  
7 THESE ARE ISSUES INVOLVING COMMUNITIES. THESE ARE ISSUES  
8 INVOLVING THE JOHNS THAT COME INTO YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD. SO WHEN  
9 WE HAVE TO REMEDY THE ISSUE LIKE THIS, I HIGHLY SUGGEST THAT  
10 WE GO FORWARD WITH THOSE AS ELECTED OFFICIALS WHO BARGAIN THE  
11 DEVIL FOR THOSE SERVICES, WHO DENY OUR CHILDREN A SAFE PLACE  
12 OF HAVEN OR HEAVEN BECAUSE IT IS SURE HELL WHEN YOU HAVE JOHNS  
13 AND PIMPS NOT BEING DETAINED AND ARRESTED RATHER THAN  
14 DISCIPLINING PEOPLE LIKE WAYNE SPINDLER.

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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18 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.  
19 AND A COUPLE THINGS. I BELIEVE ONE OF THE SPEAKERS MENTIONED  
20 THAT THE PROTOCOL IMPLEMENTATION HAS OCCURRED STARTING IN  
21 AUGUST 2014. NOBODY MENTIONED-- SOMEBODY ELSE WILL MENTION  
22 THAT SAFE HOUSE THAT WAS ONCE BEING USED IS NO LONGER  
23 AVAILABLE. SO NOBODY HAS MENTIONED THE REPLACEMENT FOR THE  
24 SAFE HOUSE. SOMEBODY ALSO MENTIONED THAT THE FIRST MEETING  
25 WITH L.A.P.D. WAS 7/25/ 16. THE YOUTH SAFE ZONES IS TO BE



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1 LAUNCHED OCTOBER 2016. THERE'S A DISCONNECT HERE. BECAUSE IF  
2 THIS IS SUCH A HIGH PRIORITY ITEM FOR THE COUNTY AND THE BOARD  
3 AND ALL THE HEAVY LIFTING THAT THE BOARD HAS DONE WITH ALL THE  
4 FUNDING AND ALL THE PROGRAMS THAT THEY HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN,  
5 HOW COME? THE FIRST MEETING WITH THE L.A.P.D. IS TAKING PLACE  
6 YESTERDAY. HOW COME YOUTH SAFETY ZONE IS GOING TO BE LAUNCHED  
7 IN OCTOBER OF 2016? HOW COME NO REPLACEMENT FOR THE SAFE  
8 HOUSE? YOU MENTIONED MISS KUEHL ABOUT FIGHTING HOMELESSNESS.  
9 THE COUNTY'S FIGHT AGAINST HOMELESSNESS. THE COUNTY IS NOT  
10 FIGHTING AGAINST HOMELESSNESS. THE COUNTY IS FIGHTING TO  
11 PROVIDE SERVICES FOR HOMELESSNESS. AND THAT'S A DIFFERENT  
12 PROGRAM ALTOGETHER. BECAUSE IF THE COUNTY WAS FIGHTING TO  
13 PREVENT HOMELESSNESS, THEN THEY'D EITHER BE PART OF THE  
14 GOVERNOR'S PLAN FOR HOMELESSNESS OR THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES'S  
15 PLAN FOR HOMELESSNESS. AND WE HAVEN'T HEARD ANYTHING ABOUT  
16 THAT. PROVIDING SERVICE? THAT'S A WHOLE DIFFERENT BALL GAME.  
17 WHO CARES? THAT'S A P.L.A. THAT'S NOT GOING TO ADDRESS  
18 HOMELESSNESS. SO FAR NOTHING YOU SAID TODAY WILL ADDRESS THIS  
19 PROBLEM OF COMMERCIALLY EXPLOITED CHILDREN.

20

21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

22

23 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG.  
24 JWALSH CONFIDENTIAL. TWEETING @HOLLYWOODDEMS. I'D JUST LIKE  
25 YOU TO KNOW EVERYONE THINKS THAT ONLY LITTLE GIRLS ARE



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1 EXPLOITED. THERE ARE BOYS WHO ARE BEING EXPLOITED. BUT THE  
2 POLICE ARE TOLD BY PEOPLE LIKE MISS KUEHL NOT TO CONCENTRATE  
3 ON THAT BECAUSE IT WOULD BE POLITICALLY INCORRECT AND  
4 HOMOPHOBIC TO ARREST A MAN WHO WAS EXPLOITING A 14 OR A 13-  
5 YEAR-OLD BOY. THIS IS CALLED POLITICALLY CORRECT WHEN  
6 POLITICALLY CONVENIENT.

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8 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:--**

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10 **JOHN WALSH:** YOU CANNOT INTERRUPT ME. IS SHE ALLOWED TO  
11 INTERRUPT ME? IS SHE ALLOWED TO INTERRUPT ME ANY TIME SHE  
12 WANTS TO?

13

14 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** SUPERVISORS ARE ALLOWED TO COMMENT,  
15 SIR.

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17 **JOHN WALSH:** NO THE LAW SAYS I GET THE TIME.

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19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** PLEASE PROCEED.

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21 **JOHN WALSH:** AND YOU CANNOT INTERRUPT ME. SHE HAS A WHOLE DAY  
22 AFTER I SPEAK.

23

24 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** YOUR COMMENTS, SIR

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1   **JOHN WALSH:** CALL ME AN [EXPLETIVE] AND I'M TELLING YOU RIGHT  
2   NOW, ASK MR. ANTONOVICH, THE BLACK MAN WHO WAS WITH THE CHILD,  
3   BELIEVE ME, HE'S NOT RUNNING THINGS. IT'S PEOPLE WHO ARE AS  
4   WELL DRESSED AS SHEILA KUEHL. IT'S PEOPLE WHO ARE WHITE. AND  
5   IT'S SOME WOMEN. AND I'M TELLING YOU RIGHT NOW THE BLACK MAN  
6   AND ALL YOU DO IS ARREST THE BLACK MAN, YOU GIVE NO  
7   COUNSELING, YOU SEND THE EXPLOITED CHILD TO ONE OF MARK  
8   RIDLEY-THOMAS'S FRIENDS WHO HAS A PLACE AND THEN THEY'RE  
9   PICKED UP THERE AND REINTEGRATED INTO THE PROSTITUTION. AND  
10   I'M TELLING YOU RIGHT NOW LOOK AT THE BROWN ACT AND I'LL GIVE  
11   YOU 100 COPIES OF IT. I HAVE THE MINUTE OR TWO MINUTES. SHE  
12   DOESN'T GET IN MY TIME. HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG.

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14   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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16   **OSCAR MUHAMMAD:** YES. IN THESE TIMES WE SHOULD TRY TO FIND WAYS  
17   FOR BETTER GOVERNMENT. A GOVERNMENT CAN RESPECT THE PEOPLE WHO  
18   THEY HAVE AUTHORITY OVER. WE STILL HAVE THE HOMELESS CRISIS IN  
19   LOS ANGELES. IT'S ALMOST THE WORST IN AMERICA, PEOPLE SLEEPING  
20   ON THE STREETS ESPECIALLY DOWNTOWN SKID ROW ANNUALLY GIVING  
21   THEIR LIFE ON THE SIDEWALK AND THERE ARE MANY PEOPLE OF COLOR  
22   DOWN THERE. IT SEEMS LIKE WE HAVE RACISM IN AMERICAN  
23   GOVERNMENT. THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT SEEMS LIKE THEY DO NOT  
24   REPRESENT THE BLACK AMERICA. IT SEEMS LIKE THE BLACK AMERICA  
25   ARE THE VICTIMIZED ON THE NEW MODERN DAY SLAVE PLANTATION.



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1 MANY TIMES, I COME DOWN HERE AND I HEAR THE POLITICAL PEOPLE  
2 SPEAKING ABOUT THE FAILURE OF BLACKS WHEN THEY SAY AND  
3 HOMELESSNESS IS BLACKS HAVE FAILED THEN THEY SAID ABOUT THE  
4 INCARCERATED BLACKS, THE BLACKS INCARCERATED. SEEMS LIKE WE  
5 HAVE A NEW WAY TO PUT NOOSE AROUND BLACK FOLKS'S NECK. I WOULD  
6 HAVE THOUGHT THAT SHOULD HAVE STOPPED IN 1965, BUT WE STILL  
7 HAVE LYNCHING THROUGH THE POLITICAL SYSTEM. POLITICAL SYSTEM  
8 IS ALWAYS EXPLOITING BLACK AMERICA AND PUTTING BLACK AMERICA  
9 WEAKNESS ON T.V. AND RADIO. THEY NEVER PUT NOTHING UPLIFTING  
10 FOR BLACK AMERICA. WHEN YOU SAY OTHER RACES, THE CHINESE, THEY  
11 HAVE CONTRIBUTED, THE JAPANESE, THEY HAVE CONTRIBUTED. THE  
12 OTHER PEOPLE, THEY HAVE CONTRIBUTED. THE BLACK FOLKS, WELL  
13 THEY MONSTERS, THEY FROM OUTER SPACE, THEY INHUMAN, THEY  
14 SUBJECTS AND THEY SHOULD NOT BE TREATED AS OTHER HUMAN BEINGS.  
15 BUT, ANYWAY, WE SHOULD TRY TO FIND A WAY TO BRIDGE POLITICAL  
16 RESPONSIBILITY. OUR POLITICAL SYSTEM DON'T DO ANYTHING OF  
17 RESPONSIBILITY TO UPLIFT THE FOLLOWING SOCIETY. WE SHOULD END  
18 AT SKID ROW. SKID ROW IS THE MOST INHUMANE, MOST IMMORAL, MOST  
19 UNCONDITION UGLY PICTURE THAT BLACK FOLKS LIVE IN IN AMERICA.  
20 AND ANYWAY WE SHOULD FIND A WAY TO REPRESENT ALL AMERICA.

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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24 **SALAAM ALIM:** HI, THANK YOU FOR GIVING ME A CHANCE AGAIN. I'M  
25 VERY HAPPY TO SEE THAT EACH ONE OF YOU ARE TAKING THE



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1 TRAFFICKING THE CHILDREN'S ISSUES SERIOUSLY. YES, I'M IN FAVOR  
2 OF THE R-1 YES, I HEARD THE DIRECTOR TALKING ABOUT  
3 RELATIONSHIP AND CONSISTENCY. IT'S VERY IMPORTANT. THAT MEANS  
4 WE NEED TO FIND A WAY HOW TO INVEST IN AND STRENGTHEN  
5 FAMILIES. THAT'S WHERE THE PROBLEM IS. THERE'S NO CERTAIN  
6 PROBLEM. FAMILY IS IMPORTANT. WE NEED TO WORK ON FAMILY  
7 ISSUES. THAT BEING SAID, HOMELESSNESS, THERE SHOULD BE NO  
8 HOMELESS ON THIS PLANET. NO HOMELESS. SO IT IS NOT ONLY THE  
9 LOCAL, THE STATE AND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT RESPONSIBILITY,  
10 IT'S EACH ONE OF US, THE CITIZENS NEED TO WORK TOGETHER. THAT  
11 MEANS WE NEED TO START WORKING AND VOLUNTEERING, ALL OF US  
12 WITH OUR SLEEVES UP AND START GET BUSY. THANK YOU.

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14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. FINAL SPEAKER HERE AND THEN  
15 WE'LL HEAR TWO PERSONS WAITING FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD  
16 IN LANCASTER.

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18 **JUAN ALCALA:** SHE'S ABSOLUTELY RIGHT. THERE SHOULD BE NO  
19 HOMELESS IN THIS WORLD. AND DONALD TRUMP SHOULD NOT BE  
20 BUILDING WALLS. WE ALREADY GOT RID OF THE BERLIN WALL. THE  
21 CHINESE, THE BAMBOO CURTAIN, THE IRON CURTAIN. AND HERE COMES  
22 THIS IDIOT SAYING THAT THE MEXICANS ARE ILLEGAL. HIS MOTHER IS  
23 ILLEGAL. SHE CAME FROM EUROPE SOMEWHERE--

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1   **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** SIR, THE TOPIC IS CHILD SEX  
2   TRAFFICKING.

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4   **JUAN ALCALA :** YEAH, SEXUAL TRAFFICKING. IT GOES ON AND ON AND  
5   ON DESPITE EFFORTS BY ORGANIZATIONS AND EVERYTHING. THAT MEANS  
6   THE GOVERNMENT IS BASICALLY NAMED BECAUSE THEY REALLY DON'T  
7   TAKE CARE OF THE ISSUES. I KNOW THAT DONALD TRUMP'S NOT GOING  
8   TO DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT, EITHER. THAT'S WHY I REFERRED TO THAT  
9   GUY, YOU KNOW? AND HE KEEPS CALLING THE MEXICANS NAMES. DO YOU  
10   KNOW WHAT, DONALD TRUMP? THE MEXICANS ARE COMING ALL OVER YOUR  
11   FACE.

12

13   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** LANCASTER. DR. DIANA WILLIAMS AND  
14   EVANGELIST. PLEASE PROCEED, SIR. YES.

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16   **MICHAEL JENKINS:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR THOMAS, FOR ADDRESSING  
17   ME BY MY TITLE. I WOULD LIKE TO GIVE MY TIME TO DR. DIANA  
18   BEARD-WILLIAMS. THANK YOU.

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20   **DR. DIANA BEARD-WILLIAMS:** THANK YOU. BASED ON THE TIME CLOCK I  
21   WOULD SEE NOT JUST TWO MINUTES UP THERE BUT I SHOULD SEE 3  
22   MINUTES AND 48 SECONDS. SO PLEASE GIVE ME THE REST OF HIS TIME  
23   AND DON'T CHEAT ME. MY NAME IS DR. DIANA BEARD- WILLIAMS. THIS  
24   IS NOT A NEW ISSUE. I AM IN FAVOR OF IT TOTALLY. TOTALLY IN  
25   FAVOR OF IT. THE REASON I AM IN FAVOR OF IT IS BECAUSE I GO





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1 BACK TO 1976 WHEN I FIRST GOT INVOLVED IN THIS ISSUE. THAT'S  
2 HOW LONG IT'S BEEN AROUND, 1976. I AM A GRADUATE OF HOLY CROSS  
3 COLLEGE AS YOU KNOW, MIKE, MENTORED OFF AND OFF BY CLARENCE  
4 THOMAS, TED WELLS WHO DEFENDED SCOOTER LIBBY AND MANY OTHER  
5 ALUMNI INCLUDING THE WIFE OF JUSTICE ROBERTS, WHO WAS IN THE  
6 FIRST CLASS OF 100 WOMEN WITH ME FROM THAT COLLEGE. WHAT YOU  
7 ARE FORGETTING IN THIS REPORT, THERE ARE SOME HOLES EVEN  
8 THOUGH I SUPPORT IT. ONE IS THAT THIS IS NOT NEW UNDER THE  
9 SUN. THIS IS NOT JUST ABOUT TRAFFICKING. THIS IS PROSTITUTION  
10 AND THIS IS CHILD ABUSE. AND BASICALLY WHAT HAPPENS IS UNLESS  
11 YOU CAN RELEASE THESE CHILDREN FROM THE PSYCHOLOGICAL HOLD  
12 THAT THE PIMPS HAVE ON THEM, THAT THE TRAFFICKERS HAVE ON  
13 THEM, IT WILL NOT HAPPEN. I HAVE WORKED WITH ORDERED AND  
14 WORKED WITH BRUCE RITTER OF COVENANT HOUSE. I ORDERED HIM FROM  
15 THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. I KNOW ALL ABOUT THIS ISSUE. AND THE  
16 MISSING ISSUE IS NUMBER ONE, THE ROLLOUT. IF THE ANTELOPE  
17 VALLEY IS SO HIGH IN CHILD ABUSE AND OTHER ISSUES, WHY ISN'T  
18 THE ANTELOPE VALLEY PART OF THE ROLLOUT. NUMBER TWO, ALL THE  
19 PLAYERS ARE NOT ON BOARD. THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT LACKS THE  
20 SENSITIVITY AND YOU SEND A NUMBER OF SHERIFFS UP HERE WHO HAVE  
21 FAILED IN OTHER AREAS OF THE COUNTY. THAT'S A FACT, MIKE. I'VE  
22 DONE MY INVESTIGATION. IN ADDITION TO THAT, YOU HAVE PEOPLE  
23 LIKE THE CATALYST FOUNDATION, YOU HAVE OTHER PEOPLE WHO HAVE  
24 WORKED WITH CHILD ABUSE PEOPLE FOR YEARS. AND THEY'RE NOT  
25 SITTING AROUND YOUR ROUNDTABLE. AND I WANT THE REST OF MR.



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1 JENKINS' MINUTES BECAUSE YOU'VE ONLY GIVEN ME MY MINUTES. I  
2 DON'T BELIEVE YOU'VE GIVEN ME HIS.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. WE'LL  
5 PROCEED TO THE BALANCE OF THE MATTER TO DISPOSE OF THE ISSUES  
6 BEFORE US. THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER?

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8 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** ITEM R-1 IS BEFORE YOU TO RECEIVE  
9 AND FILE AND ITEM 16 IS BEFORE YOU TO APPROVE.

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. THOSE ITEMS ARE BEFORE US TO  
12 RECEIVE AND FILE IN THE FIRST INSTANCE WITH R-1. THAT'S A  
13 UNANIMOUS VOTE. WITH RESPECT TO ITEM 16, WE CONTINUE TO ASSERT  
14 THAT OUR CHILDREN ARE NOT FOR SALE AND THERE IS NO SUCH THING  
15 AS A CHILD PROSTITUTE. SUPERVISOR KNABE MOVES. SUPERVISOR  
16 KUEHL SECONDS. PLEASE RECORD A UNANIMOUS VOTE IN THE INSTANCE  
17 OF ITEM 16. NEXT ITEM, PLEASE.

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19 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** THE ITEMS BEFORE YOU, MR. CHAIR PRO  
20 TEM ARE THE ADJOURNMENTS.

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22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SPECIALS WE CALL ITEM, SUPERVISOR KNABE,  
23 THE FIFTH DISTRICT IS UP FIRST. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** -- INFORMATION NEXT WEEK BUT I'D LIKE TO MOVE  
2    THAT WE ADJOURN IN JUSTICE ARMEN ARABIAN'S WIFE NANCY WHO  
3    PASSED AWAY JUST RECENTLY. BUT I'LL HAVE THE REST OF THE  
4    INFORMATION NEXT WEEK WHEN WE GET THAT. HER FUNERAL'S THIS  
5    WEEK BUT I DON'T HAVE THE DETAILS. ALSO, I'D LIKE TO MOVE THAT  
6    WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF THE HONORABLE RALPH DAU WHO WAS THE  
7    FORMER SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY WHO PASSED  
8    AWAY AT THE AGE OF 78. HE WAS NAVY VETERAN. DEGREE FROM  
9    UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS APPOINTED TO THE BENCH IN 1995 BY GOVERNOR  
10   PETE WILSON. AND HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND THEIR TWO  
11   CHILDREN. GLORIA TERESA BALIAN WHO IS THE WIFE OF FREDERICK  
12   BALIAN SR., OWNER OF THE BALIAN ICE CREAM COMPANY, PASSED AWAY  
13   ON JULY 18TH. SHE SANG AT THE ST. ANNE MELKITE CATHOLIC CHURCH  
14   AND VOLUNTEERED THERE FOR OVER 50 YEARS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY  
15   HER HUSBAND AND FREDERICK-- AND HER SON FREDERICK AND BROTHERS  
16   AND SISTER. A FRIEND OF OURS WHO REALLY WAS INVOLVED WITH THE  
17   COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES WITH OUR BRAVO PROGRAM, THAT WAS GARRY  
18   MARSHALL PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 81. HE DID A PHENOMENAL JOB  
19   WITH BRAVO EACH YEAR WHERE HE'D BE THE MASTER OF CEREMONIES.  
20   HE'S ALSO PARTICIPATED AT MANY OTHER EVENTS WHERE HE WAS ABLE  
21   TO-- WHICH WAS DEVOTED TO OUR YOUTH, DEVOTED TO THE ARTS. HE  
22   WOULD FLY FROM NEW YORK EVEN IN PRODUCTION TO BE THE HOST OF  
23   THE MUSIC CENTER FOR THE BRAVO AWARDS. AND THIS IS WHERE WE  
24   WOULD HONOR THE MUSIC CENTER, WE'D HONOR THOSE GREAT K-12  
25   SCHOOLS, NOT JUST IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY BUT IN SOUTHERN



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1 CALIFORNIA. AND HE HAD A THEATER IN BURBANK. HE WAS INVOLVED  
2 WITH THE TOLUCA LAKE- BURBANK AREA, AND WAS A CREDIT TO THE  
3 INDUSTRY. HE'S REALLY A RENAISSANCE MAN BECAUSE HE WAS ACTING,  
4 WRITING, PRODUCING, DIRECTING, BUT HE DID IT ALL WITH A SMILE.  
5 HE HAD A GREAT-- A LOT OF HUMOR. SO HE LEAVES HIS CHILDREN, HE  
6 HAS A BROTHER PENNY AND SISTER RONNIE AND HIS THREE CHILDREN,  
7 LORI, KATHLEEN AND SCOTT. AND JOSEPHINE MOONVES, WHO PASSED  
8 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 92. SHE WAS A CAREGIVER, ACTIVE MEMBER OF  
9 THE SANTA MONICA Y.M.C.A. AND MANY OF THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD  
10 OF SUPERVISORS WORKED WITH HER SON, LES, WHO'S DONE A GOOD  
11 JOB, SO GOOD THAT HE'S NOW THE C.E.O. OF C.B.S. BUT QUITE  
12 INVOLVED IN THE COMMUNITY. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND AND  
13 HER THREE CHILDREN. AND THEN BETTY BETSY BLOOMINGDALE PASSED  
14 AWAY ON JULY 19TH. SHE AND NANCY REAGAN WERE EXTREMELY CLOSE.  
15 SHE WAS THE WIFE OF ALFRED SCHAEFFER OF BLOOMINGDALE. GRANDSON  
16 AT LYMAN GUSTA BLOOMINGDALE, OWNER OF THE BLOOMINGDALE  
17 DEPARTMENT STORE. FOUNDER OF THE DINER'S CLUB, AND KEY MEMBER  
18 OF RONALD REAGAN'S KITCHEN CABINET. SHE WAS KNOWN FOR HER  
19 SUPERB FASHION TASTE, FEATURING IN "WOMEN'S WEAR DAILY,"  
20 "VOGUE," "HOUSE AND GARDEN" AND THE "NEW YORK TIMES." SHE  
21 SERVED ON THE COSTUME COUNCIL FOR THE METROPOLITAN MUSEUM OF  
22 ART, THE FOUNDATION FOR ART AND PRESERVATION AND EMBASSIES AND  
23 THE PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE ON THE ARTS AND HUMANITIES. SHE WAS  
24 A FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE JAMES MADISON COUNCIL FOR THE LIBRARY  
25 OF CONGRESS AND WAS QUITE ACTIVE. HER CLOSE INTIMATES WERE



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1 NANCY AND RONALD REAGAN. SHE HELPED RAISE FUNDS TO SUPPORT THE  
2 CHILDREN'S INSTITUTE INTERNATIONAL. AND SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER  
3 SONS JEFFREY AND ROBERT AND HER DAUGHTER LISA, 8 GRANDCHILDREN  
4 AND 8 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. EVA MAY VAN GELDER, LONGTIME  
5 RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 85. SHE  
6 HAD FORMERLY WORKED WITH THE ATLANTIC RESEARCH CORPORATION FOR  
7 SEVERAL YEARS. AND ALSO WORKED WITH THE WILLIAM S. HART HIGH  
8 SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR 10 YEARS, ACTIVE IN THE SANTA CLARITA  
9 UNITED METHODIST CHURCH AND SERVED AS USHER, PREPARER OF SOUP  
10 FOR LENTEN AND NURSERY TEACHER. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER TWO  
11 SONS. WILLIAM SPEAR III, LONG TIME RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA  
12 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 64. HE OWNED MORGAN'S SHOE REPAIR IN  
13 LANCASTER FOR 30 YEARS AND RED WING SHOE REPAIR IN OXNARD FOR  
14 10 YEARS. HE LEAVES HIS WIFE AND THREE CHILDREN AND BROTHER.  
15 RAFAEL NEAL, JR. LONG TIME RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA PASSED  
16 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 99. HE HAD SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY  
17 DURING WORLD WAR II AND THE KOREAN WAR. DURING HIS SERVICE, HE  
18 EARNED TWO AIR MEDALS AND A GOLD STAR. HE WAS CHIEF PRODUCTION  
19 TEST PILOT FOR LOCKHEED BURBANK AND HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS FOUR  
20 CHILDREN. THIS PAST WEEK WE HAD A DEDICATION OF A STATE-OF-  
21 THE-ART ANIMAL SHELTER IN PALMDALE. THIS IS A STATE-OF-THE-ART  
22 FACILITY. IT IS AIR CONDITIONED. IT IS INDOOR. AND IT IS A  
23 FOOTPRINT THAT OUGHT TO BE USED FOR OUR OTHER ANIMAL CARE  
24 SHELTERS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. SO I'D LIKE TO DIRECT THE  
25 C.E.O. AND THE DIRECTOR OF ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL TO REPORT



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1 TO THE BOARD ON HOW WE CAN RENOVATE THE EXISTING SHELTERS AND  
2 BUILD NEW SHELTERS WHERE NEEDED WITHIN THE COUNTY OF LOS  
3 ANGELES SO WE WOULD HAVE A REPORT BACK. BUT I ENCOURAGE ALL OF  
4 YOU TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT THE SHELTER. IT IS-- I  
5 WOULD SAY IT'S ONE OF THE BEST THE IN THE UNITED STATES. IT  
6 WAS DONE UNDER BUDGET AND ON TIME. UNDER BUDGET, I THINK THEY  
7 SAVED A MILLION DOLLARS, AND ON TIME. A MILLION DOLLARS WOULD  
8 HELP WITH OTHER ANIMAL PROGRAMS THAT WOULD HELP IN THE COUNTY  
9 OF LOS ANGELES. AND THEN WE-- I HAD ANOTHER WHICH I'LL GIVE TO  
10 COUNTY COUNSEL IN EXECUTIVE SESSION AND I SENT TO YOU LAST  
11 NIGHT, AGAIN ANOTHER CONSTITUENT WHO IS NOT RECEIVING  
12 REIMBURSEMENT FOR THE ALISO CANYON. AND THEN THE ACTIONS AT  
13 THE FILING OF THE LAWSUIT THAT WE CAN DISCUSS IN EXECUTIVE  
14 SESSION. THOSE ARE MY MOTIONS. BUT AGAIN, I WOULD GIVE YOU AN  
15 OPPORTUNITY OR SOMETIME HAVE YOUR STAFF VISIT THE SHELTER IN  
16 PALMDALE. IT IS STATE-OF-THE-ART.

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. NOW TURN TO THE  
19 THIRD DISTRICT? SUPERVISOR SHEILA KUEHL.

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21 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. AS I MENTIONED AT  
22 THE BEGINNING OF OUR MEETING, I'D LIKE TO MOVE THAT WHEN WE  
23 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MOLLIE LOWERY IT'S VERY  
24 DIFFICULT ENOUGH TO SAY ENOUGH ABOUT A WOMAN WHO HAS SPENT HER  
25 ENTIRE LIFE WORKING TO TRY TO HELP EACH INDIVIDUAL HOMELESS



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1 PERSON ACROSS THE COUNTY, ESPECIALLY DOWNTOWN. THE MOST  
2 IMPORTANT THING ABOUT MOLLIE IS THAT SHE WAS ALWAYS WAY AHEAD  
3 OF THE CURVE IN TRYING TO FIGURE OUT THE BEST WAY TO APPROACH  
4 SERVICES FOR PEOPLE WHO NEEDED THEM BASED ON WHAT THEY  
5 THEMSELVES ARTICULATED AND INDICATED WERE NEEDED. SHE WAS A  
6 CO-FOUNDER OF THE OCEAN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER, WHICH NOT ONLY  
7 PROVIDED HOMELESS SERVICES BEFORE THE WORD HOMELESS HAD EVEN  
8 ACTUALLY BEEN INVENTED, BUT ALSO WAS ONE OF THE FOUNDERS FOR  
9 THE SOJOURN SHELTER FOR BATTERED WOMEN AND THEIR CHILDREN. SHE  
10 WENT ON THEN TO LOOK DOWNTOWN TO FORM THE LAMP COMMUNITY,  
11 TALKING ABOUT THE DIGNITY OF WORK FOR HOMELESS PEOPLE AND THE  
12 NEED TO BE ABLE TO EARN A LIVING IN ADDITION TO HOUSING. SHE  
13 WAS ONE OF THE FIRST PEOPLE TO REALLY PUSH IN OUR COUNTY FOR  
14 THE HOUSING FIRST MODEL, INDICATING THAT YOU CAN GIVE SERVICES  
15 OR TRY TO GIVE SERVICES, BUT WHAT KIND OF MENTAL HEALTH  
16 SERVICES CAN YOU GIVE TO A PERSON SITTING ON THE CURB? SHE WAS  
17 ONE OF THE MOST RESPECTED LEADERS IN THE MOVEMENT TO END  
18 HOMELESSNESS IN L.A. AND SHE PASSED AWAY VERY EARLY YESTERDAY  
19 MORNING. SHE WAS A YOUNG CATHOLIC NUN WHO LEFT THE CONVENT TO  
20 WORK IN PUBLIC SERVICE. SHE GREW UP IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY  
21 AND EARLY ON FOUND HER WAY TO THE OCEAN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER  
22 IN SANTA MONICA WHERE THEY WERE BEGINNING SOME INNOVATIVE  
23 WORK, NOTICING THAT HUNDREDS AND HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE, HOMELESS  
24 PEOPLE, WERE FLOCKING TO THE BEACH COMMUNITY BECAUSE IT WAS A  
25 PLACE WHERE THEY, THE TEMPERATURES WERE A LITTLE MORE





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1 TEMPERATE, PLACES THEY COULD FIND, DOORWAYS, BEACHES, AND  
2 MOLLIE STARTED OUR SERVICES THERE. FROM 1975 BEFORE THE  
3 HOMELESS POPULATION EVER HAD SUCH A NAME, SHE WORKED WITH OUR  
4 FRIENDS OUT THERE. SHE BEGAN AND RAN EARLY PROGRAMS FOR  
5 GROWING NUMBERS OF HOMELESS AT THE OCEAN PARK COMMUNITY  
6 CENTER, INCLUDING, AS I SAID, THE SOJOURN SHELTER, IDENTIFYING  
7 THAT SO MANY HOMELESS WOMEN AND THEIR CHILDREN WERE HOMELESS  
8 BECAUSE THEY WERE FLEEING VIOLENCE AT HOME. IT WAS ONE OF THE  
9 FIRST IN THE STATE. ACTUALLY THE FIRST SHELTER FOUNDED UNDER  
10 THE THEORY THAT THIS WAS A SOCIAL ILLNESS AND NOT JUST A  
11 PROBLEM FOR ONE OR TWO WOMEN. SHE FOUNDED AND RAN TWO  
12 EXTRAORDINARY ORGANIZATIONS, THE LAMP COMMUNITY ON SKID ROW,  
13 AND HOUSING WORKS, WHICH SERVES PEOPLE EXPERIENCING  
14 HOMELESSNESS AND MENTAL ILLNESS ACROSS THE COUNTY. SHE WAS NOT  
15 ONLY A PIONEER IN HOMELESS SERVICES BUT ONE OF THE FIRST  
16 PRACTITIONERS OF THE HOUSING FIRST AND HARM REDUCTION MODELS  
17 WHICH HAD BEEN SHOWN TO BE THE MOST EFFECTIVE STRATEGIES FOR  
18 ENDING CHRONIC HOMELESSNESS. IF YOU READ STEVE LOPEZ'S COLUMN  
19 ABOUT HER THIS MORNING, ON THE FRONT PAGE OF THE L.A. TIMES OF  
20 ALL THINGS, HE NAILS IT. MOLLIE WAS THE ONLY PERSON THAT COULD  
21 WALK THROUGH SKID ROW AT ANY HOUR OF THE DAY OR NIGHT AND  
22 PEOPLE WOULD KNOW HER, WOULD RESPOND TO HER, WOULD TRUST HER.  
23 SHE WOULD SPEND A YEAR AND A HALF TRYING TO TALK ONE PERSON  
24 INTO COMING OFF OF THE STREET AND INTO SERVICES. AN AMAZING  
25 AND TRULY EFFECTIVE WOMAN. SHE UNDERSTOOD THAT EACH PERSON'S



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1 NEEDS ARE UNIQUE. AND HER APPROACH INFLUENCED ALL APPROACHES  
2 TO HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING. SHE WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED.  
3 SHE WAS THE WOMAN WHO CALLED ME ONE DAY AND ASKED IF I WOULD  
4 COME AND CHAIR A NEW BOARD FOR THIS SOJOURN SHELTER FOR  
5 BATTERED WOMEN. "WHAT'S THAT?" I ASKED HER. AND AT THAT POINT  
6 MY LIFE PIVOTED THANKS TO MOLLIE LOWERY. BUT HER ENDURING  
7 LEGACY LIVES ON THROUGH THE COUNTLESS SOULS SHE SAVED, THE  
8 LEADERS SHE MENTORED AND HER FIERCE AND BRILLIANT WORK AND  
9 SPIRIT. ALL OF THOSE LIVES SHE HAS TOUCHED WILL CARRY ON HER  
10 WORK. I'D ALSO LIKE TO ADJOURN TODAY IN MEMORY OF MY  
11 CONSTITUENT GARRY MARSHALL, EVEN THOUGH OF COURSE SUPERVISOR  
12 ANTONOVICH LOVED HIS SHOWS. HE DIED ON JULY 19TH. I THINK  
13 PEOPLE KNOW THAT "HAPPY DAYS" WAS HIS BREAKOUT HIT. HIS FIRST  
14 SUCCESSFUL SOLO PROJECT. BUT FOR YEARS HE HAD BEEN WRITING FOR  
15 DICK VAN DYKE, "THE LUCY SHOW," AND THEN AFTER "HAPPY DAYS" HE  
16 WAS THE LEAD IN EVERY WAY ON "LAVERNE AND SHIRLEY," "MORK AND  
17 MINDY" AND LATER IN HIS LIFE DIRECTED FEATURES INCLUDING  
18 "PRETTY WOMAN," "RUNAWAY BRIDE" AND "PRINCESS DIARIES." HE'S  
19 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE BARBARA, AND THEIR CHILDREN SCOTT, LORI  
20 AND KATHLEEN. ANOTHER OF MY CONSTITUENTS, EVEN THOUGH OF  
21 COURSE HER CONNECTION WITH RONALD REAGAN MAKES HER SOMEONE  
22 THAT MIKE WANTS TO TALK ABOUT, WHICH IS APPROPRIATE, BETSY  
23 BLOOMINGDALE. SHE WAS A STYLE AND TASTE TRENDSETTER WHO  
24 PATRONIZED HAUTE COUTURE DESIGNERS IN EUROPE, REGULARLY MADE  
25 THE BEST DRESSED LISTS. IN 2009 SHE WAS THE SUBJECT OF AN



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1 EXHIBIT, "HIGH-STYLE BETSY BLOOMINGDALE AND THE HAUTE COUTURE"  
2 AT THE FASHION INSTITUTE OF DESIGN AND MERCHANDISING. SHE WAS  
3 ALSO INVOLVED IN FUNDRAISING PROJECTS FOR THE L.A. CATHEDRAL.  
4 AS MIKE INDICATED, CONTRIBUTED TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE  
5 RONALD REAGAN PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY. AND WAS A MEMBER OF THE  
6 COLLEAGUES, WHICH FUNDED HOMES FOR UNMARRIED MOTHERS AND THEIR  
7 CHILDREN. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER SONS GEOFFREY AND ROBERT AND A  
8 DAUGHTER LISA BELL. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY WE  
9 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ESTER GROPER METZNER, LONGTIME RESIDENT  
10 OF BEVERLY HILLS. BORN IN SASKATCHEWAN MOVED TO L.A. AT THE  
11 AGE OF 3. INHERITED A STRONG SOCIAL CONSCIOUSNESS FROM BOTH OF  
12 HER PARENTS AND BECAME ACTIVE IN LIBERAL POLITICAL ACTIVITIES  
13 WITH HER LATE HUSBAND BOB, THEY BUILT AND SOLD SUCCESSFUL  
14 BUSINESSES, TRAVELED, COLLECTED AND CREATED ART, SAILED AND  
15 ENTERTAINED AT THE DEL REY YACHT CLUB AND MADE THEIR BEVERLY  
16 HILLS HOME A BEAUTIFUL PLACE FOR FRIENDS AND FAMILY. MOST  
17 IMPORTANTLY, ESTER WAS AN EARLY FEMINIST AND NEVER HESITATED  
18 TO SPEAK UP ON BEHALF OF WOMEN'S ISSUES. SHE WAS AN OFFICER IN  
19 WOMEN FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION AND ENCOURAGED HER FAMILY TO BE  
20 AS ACTIVE AND PHILANTHROPIC AS SHE WAS. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER  
21 TWO CHILDREN, RICHARD AND CAROLEE AND HER FOUR GRANDCHILDREN,  
22 JEFFREY, DAVID, JAMIE AND KATE. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE  
23 ADJOURN TODAY WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SEAMON GLASS WHO DIED ON  
24 JULY 12TH. HE WAS AN ACTOR, A WRITER, A TEACHER, A GUIDANCE  
25 COUNSELOR AT FAIRFAX HIGH, A PROFESSIONAL HEAVYWEIGHT BOXER, A



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1 MERCHANT SEA- MAN, A HARBOR PATROL OFFICER IN SANTA MONICA AND  
2 A WORLD WAR II VETERAN. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE YAN ZHANG,  
3 HIS SON DAVID GLASS, HIS CAT GENGHIS, WHOM HE WANTED TO MAKE  
4 CERTAIN WAS MENTIONED IN ALL OBITUARIES AND HIS GIANT UNNAMED  
5 BLOOD PARENT CICHLID FISH WHO WERE CLEARLY THE MOST IMPORTANT  
6 ANIMALS IN HIS LIFE. FINALLY I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN  
7 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DAVID HOROWITZ A LONGTIME  
8 HOLLYWOOD PUBLICIST. ONE OF THE VALLEY'S TOP PUBLIC RELATIONS  
9 EXECS, KNOWN FOR CRAFTING SUCCESSFUL OSCAR CAMPAIGNS FOR BEST  
10 PICTURE. HE WAS ALSO INVOLVED IN MANY SOCIAL AND POLITICAL  
11 CAUSES, CIVIL RIGHTS, NATIVE AMERICAN ISSUES, AMERICAN  
12 PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGNS AND ISSUES IN THE STATE OF ISRAEL. IT  
13 WAS HOROWITZ WHO ARRANGED PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE BILL  
14 CLINTON'S SAXOPHONE PLAYING APPEARANCE ON "THE ARSENIO HALL  
15 SHOW" IN 1992. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE LYNN.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR KNABE, PLEASE?

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. I,  
20 TOO, WANT TO JOIN IN THE GARRY MARSHALL ADJOURNMENT. I, LIKE  
21 MIKE, OVER THE YEARS, HIS INVOLVEMENT WITH THE BRAVO PROGRAMS  
22 AT THE MUSIC AND PERFORMING ARTS COMMISSION AND HIM TAKING THE  
23 TIME OUT OF HIS SCHEDULE NO MATTER WHERE HE WAS, AS MIKE  
24 MENTIONED, TO COME BACK AND BE A PART OF THAT REALLY WAS  
25 SPECIAL FOR THESE YOUNG PEOPLE AS WELL AS THE TEACHERS. I



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1 WOULD LIKE TO ADJOURN TODAY IN MEMORY OF VIRGINIA STEVENS. A  
2 LONG TIME RESIDENT OF BELLFLOWER WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY. SHE  
3 AND HER HUSBAND FRED MOVED TO BELLFLOWER AND LIVED THERE SINCE  
4 THE '40S. SHE'S BEEN KNOWN AS A CARING AND CONSIDERATE PERSON.  
5 SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER JANICE, HER SON BENJAMIN, HER  
6 THREE GRANDCHILDREN AND TWO SISTERS. SHE WILL BE MISSED BY ALL  
7 WHO KNEW HER. THAT IS MY ADJOURNMENT TODAY. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. I SIMPLY WANT TO LEND MY VOICE  
10 IN MEMORY OF MOLLIE LOWERY IT IS THE CASE THAT SHE WAS AN  
11 AMAZING PERSON WHO UNDER ALL STANDARDS SHOULD BE JUDGED TO BE  
12 AHEAD OF HER TIME. SHE WAS REALLY INVESTED IN THE HARM-  
13 REDUCTION HOUSING PROCESS, PASSIONATE, YET EFFECTIVE MODELS TO  
14 HELP HOMELESS PERSONS. IT MIGHT BE FAIR TO SAY SHE WAS SIMPLY  
15 A PIONEER. SPENT HER LIFE WORKING WITH THE MOST CHALLENGING  
16 VIGILS AND ALWAYS FOUGHT SEE THE BEST THE IN THEM. MY DAYS GO  
17 BACK TO THE TIME OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP  
18 CONFERENCES, ONE WHO MET HER EARLY ON IN HER WORK, TO SPEAK TO  
19 THE DIGNITY WITHIN EVERY HUMAN BEING AND SHE CAUSED US TO  
20 UNDERSTAND THAT, AND RESPECT PEOPLE FOR WHO THEY ARE, NO  
21 MATTER WHAT THEIR LOCATION. TENACIOUS ABOUT THAT AND MOVING  
22 ABOUT THAT, AND CERTAINLY LIVED THAT WITH THE BALANCE OF HER  
23 DAYS. SO SUPERVISOR KUEHL, I JOIN YOU RESPECTFULLY IN  
24 ADJOURNING IN MEMORY OF MOLLIE LOWERY. COLLEAGUES, MAY I READ  
25 IN A MOTION PERTAINING TO A CONCERN THAT CONTINUES TO BE ONE



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1 OF CONSEQUENCE FOR US REGARDING, STRENGTHENING CRITICAL  
2 INCIDENT PROTOCOLS FOR PROBATION YOUTH AND MORE  
3 ACCOUNTABILITY. THIS IS AN ITEM THAT WE WILL TAKE UP IN  
4 EARNEST NEXT WEEK, BUT IT SHOULD BE SAID THAT THE BOARD MADE  
5 ITS ABSOLUTE PRIORITY TO TACKLE SYSTEMIC PROBLEMS AT THE  
6 PROBATION DEPARTMENT, ESPECIALLY REFORMING JUVENILE JUSTICE  
7 SYSTEM AND YOUTH INCARCERATED IN THE COUNTY PROBATION CAMPS  
8 AND JUVENILE HALLS ARE CONSIDERED WARDS OF THE COURT. AS SUCH,  
9 THE COUNTY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR SAFETY AND WELL-BEING AT  
10 ALL TIMES. THIS MOTION SEEKS TO CAUSE US TO FRANKLY TELL THE  
11 PROBATION DEPARTMENT GET ITS ACT TOGETHER. AND IT'S OUR  
12 RESPONSIBILITY TO SEE THAT THAT HAPPENS. WE WISH TO AUTHORIZE  
13 THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, IN COORDINATION WITH THE INTERIM  
14 CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER, DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL  
15 HEALTH, DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES TO COME  
16 BACK TO US IN A SPECIFIED PERIOD OF TIME. THOSE EXISTING  
17 POLICIES RELATED INCIDENTS BOTH CRITICAL AND NONCRITICAL THAT  
18 OCCUR IN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY JUVENILE JUSTICE FACILITIES  
19 INCLUDING THE PROBATION CAMPS AND JUVENILE HALLS AND WE  
20 SPECIFY WHAT THEY NEED TO DO. WE'LL TAKE THIS UP IN EARNEST  
21 TOMORROW AND WRITE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD WHO WISHES TO BE  
22 JOINED BY WAY OF AMENDMENT. I THINK WE NEED TO GET THIS BALL  
23 ROLLING AGAIN AND AGAIN AND AGAIN UNTIL WE GET THIS RIGHT.  
24 THAT'S THE CONCLUSION OF WHAT I WISH TO OFFER BY WAY OF THE  
25 READ-IN AND TO CONCLUDE THE SPECIALS AND THE ADJOURNING





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1 MOTION, AND MOVE NOW TO THE BALANCE OF THE MEETING WHICH IS TO  
2 HEAR PUBLIC COMMENT. THERE ARE 15 PERSONS WHO WISH TO BE HEARD  
3 THEY ARE AS FOLLOWS. JAMES ESSEX.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. CHAIRMAN? JUST BEFORE YOU BEGIN THE PUBLIC  
6 COMMENTS, I WOULD JUST-- WE JUST RECENTLY LAST NIGHT CONCLUDED  
7 THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES. FIRST TIME IT'S BEEN ON  
8 THE WEST COAST IN SOME 50 PLUS YEARS. AND WE WERE THE HOST,  
9 LOS ANGELES COUNTY, IN THE CITY OF LONG BEACH. WE HAD CLOSE TO  
10 3,000 DELEGATES FROM ACROSS AMERICA HERE. EVERY STATE IN THE  
11 UNION WAS REPRESENTED, WHICH IS THE FIRST TIME IN A LONG TIME.  
12 AND I JUST WANT TO SAY A HEARTFELT THANKS TO THE C.E.O. AND  
13 THE ENTIRE COUNTY FAMILY FOR THEIR PARTICIPATION. DEPARTMENT  
14 HEADS, NOT ONLY IN ATTENDANCE, BUT WE HAD VOLUNTEERS STATIONED  
15 AT THE VARIOUS HOTELS TO ASSIST THE DELEGATES IN GETTING  
16 AROUND TOWN TO VARIOUS KINDS OF THINGS. C.E.O. AND OTHERS MADE  
17 PRESENTATIONS. WE WERE ON THE FOREFRONT OF A LOT OF THAT. I  
18 JUST WANT TO SAY THANKS FOR A JOB WELL DONE. THEY DID AN  
19 INCREDIBLE JOB REPRESENTING THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. WE'RE  
20 VERY PROUD OF THEM AND VERY THANKFUL. THE SUPPORT THAT WE GOT  
21 FROM THE C.E.O. AND ENTIRE COUNTY FAMILY WAS AMAZING. IT WAS  
22 AN INCREDIBLE CONVENTION.

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24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE, FOR YOUR  
25 LEADERSHIP IN REPRESENTING THE BOARD IN BOTH C.S.E.C. AND BY





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1 EXTENSION N.A.C.O. ALL RIGHT. LET'S PROCEED TO THE PUBLIC  
2 COMMENT. JAMES ESSEX. JOSE MARTINEZ. ARNOLD SACHS. ERIC  
3 PREVEN. BENJAMIN DURHAM. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN IF YOU'D COME  
4 FORWARD. HERMAN HERMAN. WAYNE SPINDLER. JUAN ALCALA. GERRI  
5 MANNING. JOHN WALSH. OSCAR MOHAMMAD. JOSEPH MAIZLISH. SALAAM  
6 ALIM EVANGELIST MICHAEL JENKINS. AND DR. DIANA BEARD-WILLIAMS.  
7 IN THAT ORDER, PLEASE. SIR, YOU MAY PROCEED.

8

9 **JAMES ESSEX:** GOOD MORNING. GOOD.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** GOOD AFTERNOON.

12

13 **JAMES ESSEX:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I LIVE IN A NURSING HOME.  
14 NURSING HOMES ARE KNOWN AS CONVALESCENT HOMES.

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16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YOUR NAME, SIR?

17

18 **JAMES ESSEX:** JAMES ESSEX.

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** OKAY.

21

22 **JAMES ESSEX:** CONVALESCENT HOMES, WE WILL BREAK DOWN THE LATIN  
23 WORD SO THAT THE MEANING CAN SHINE THROUGH. CONSIDER MEANING  
24 THE STARS, CON MEANING WITH, WITH THE STARS. CONVALESCENCE,  
25 WITH THE ESSENCE OF THE WORD VAL, IN THIS CASE THE WORD VAL



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1    COULD BE THE NORSE WORD WHICH HAS TO DO WITH HEAVEN, VALHALLA.  
2    OR IT COULD BE IN OUR CULTURE THE WORD FOR VEIL. A VEIL OF  
3    TEARS. IT HAS TO DO WITH THE CURTAINS THAT SEPARATE US FROM  
4    THE KNOWLEDGE OF OUR DEATH. IN A CONVALESCENT HOME IT'S A VERY  
5    COMMON OCCURRENCE. AND LAST WEEK, MY ROOMMATE, WHOSE NAME IS  
6    SULLIVAN, DIED. MY PREFERENCE FOR THIS IS NOT TO SAY DIED BUT  
7    TO SAY TRANSITIONED AS I TRULY UNDERSTAND THAT DEATH IS NOT  
8    THE END OF OUR LIFE. THE SITUATION HERE IS SUCH. NURSING HOMES  
9    AND CARE OF THE ELDERLY, AN HONORABLE GESTURE BY EVERY CULTURE  
10    HAS TO DO WITH A GREAT DEAL OF MONEY, ESPECIALLY FROM THE  
11    FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. ALL THESE PEOPLE ARE BEING SUPPORTED BY  
12    THAT MONEY. THE MONEY GOES INTO SPECIFIC AREAS. I DON'T THINK  
13    THEY'RE VERY WELL MONITORED, THESE SPECIFIC AREAS. FOR  
14    EXAMPLE, IN THE CASE OF MY FRIEND SULLIVAN. I HAVE A ROOM WITH  
15    THREE BEDS IN IT. AND MY BED IS NEXT TO THE WINDOW. I'VE BEEN  
16    THERE NOW FOR 7 YEARS. MY GRANDMOTHER TAUGHT ME TO USE  
17    LANGUAGE IN SUCH A WAY THAT I WOULD MEMORIZE THINGS THAT I HAD  
18    SO THAT MY MEMORY IS EXTRAORDINARY. WITH MY FRIEND SULLIVAN,  
19    HIS MEMORY AS FAR AS LANGUAGE WAS CONCERNED WAS LIKE ZERO. HE  
20    WAS VERY FUNCTIONAL AS FAR AS BEING ABLE TO SPEAK BUT HE WAS  
21    SUCH A DEAR MAN. HE WAS SO SWEET. EVERYBODY ADORED HIM. AND AT  
22    THE END OF HIS LIFE, I RECOGNIZED AS HE WAS WALKING UP AND  
23    DOWN THE HALLS THAT HE WAS TRYING TO KEEP DEATH AT ARM'S  
24    LENGTH. HE WAS GOING TO EXERCISE IT AWAY. BUT WHEN HE CAME



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1 BACK TO THE ROOM WHERE I WAS, BECAUSE OF MY SPECIAL PRIVILEGE  
2 WITH LANGUAGE, I WAS ALLOWED TO HAVE THE DOOR CLOSED.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. ESSEX? YOU HAVE SOMEONE WHO IS GOING  
5 TO COME TALK WITH YOU. WE UNDERSTAND YOU ARE FROM--

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WES FORD FROM PUBLIC HEALTH.

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9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND KATHLEEN AUSTRIA WILL RESPOND TO YOUR  
10 QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPUTY DIRECTOR WILL  
13 RECEIVE YOUR SERVICES. WES FORD WILL ALSO BE OVER HERE TO TALK  
14 WITH YOU.

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN TO ALERT US TO  
19 THAT.

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21 **JAMES ESSEX:** YOU'RE WELCOME.

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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1   **HERMAN HERMAN** : I'D LIKE TO POINT OUT HOW THE PEOPLE OF THE  
2   STATE DO NOT YIELD THEIR SOVEREIGNTY. I LIKE TO KNOW HOW THE  
3   RIGHT TO DECIDE WHAT IS GOOD FOR THE PEOPLE, TO KNOW WHAT IS  
4   NOT GOOD FOR THE PEOPLE ACCORDING TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION  
5   594950.5. BECAUSE AS YOU HEARD UNDER THE NEW S.L.A.P.P.. OR  
6   STRATEGIC LAWSUIT AGAINST PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN MEETINGS, WE  
7   HAVE SOME PEOPLE IN THIS CITY AND IN THIS COUNTY RUNNING IT  
8   LIKE IT'S THEIR SHOW. AND WHEN I SAY A SHOW, I'M SHOWING THIS  
9   TO BE FOR THE RECORD THAT I'M SURPRISED THAT THE STATE BAR  
10   DOESN'T AGREE TO INCARCERATE OR LYNCH MR. SPINDLER. BUT THEN  
11   ROSE, A PARTNER WITH ENGLANDER AND KNABE AND ALLEN, A FIRM  
12   THAT LOBBIES ON BEHALF OF THE CLIENTS AT CITY HALL AND  
13   ELSEWHERE, THE "LOS ANGELES TIMES" SATURDAY NEWS. MY ISSUE HAS  
14   TO DO WITH BRANDENBURG VERSUS OHIO, 395 U.S. 444. WHEN I TALK  
15   ABOUT HUGO ROSSITTER. THE PROSECUTOR OF THE T.R.O.S AND THE  
16   T.M.U.S THREAT MANAGEMENT UNIT AS HE MAY NOT AGREE WITH THIS  
17   BUT ACCORDING TO A DIRTY N, SAVE AMERICA, BURY THE N, WE  
18   INTEND TO DO OUR PART GIVE US OUR STATE RIGHTS HUGO. GIVE US  
19   FREEDOM FOR THOSE OF US WHO ARE NOT WHITE THAT END WILL HAVE  
20   TO FIGHT FOR EVERY INCH HE GETS FROM NOW ON. WHAT THE HELL DO  
21   I MEAN BY THAT? IS THAT A THREAT? NO. I'M EXERCISING MY FIRST  
22   AMENDMENTS, MY 14TH AMENDMENT MR. CITY COUNCIL. I DISAGREE  
23   WITH YOUR STAFF TAKING MY PICTURE. TAKE IT WHEN I'M HAPPY. I'M  
24   NOT TOO HAPPY WITH THE DECISION MADE AGAINST ENCINO LAWYER  
25   WAYNE SPINDLER AND MYSELF IN THE L.A. TIMES DATED SATURDAY--



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. THANK YOU.

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4 **ERIC PREVEN:** GREETINGS. IT'S ERIC PREVEN FROM THE THIRD  
5 DISTRICT. LAST WEEK, I READ IN PUBLIC COMMENT THAT JULY 15TH  
6 "NEW YORK TIMES" SECTION ABOUT THE FRAUD THAT WAS COMMITTED IN  
7 THIS COUNTY. BUT AFTERWARDS I WAS EXITING AND AFRICAN-AMERICAN  
8 WOMAN APPROACHED ME AND SAID, "WHAT DID YOU SAY ABOUT AMERICAN  
9 GOLF CORPORATION IN YOUR COMMENTS, SIR?" AND I EXPLAINED TO  
10 HER THAT THERE WAS A TRANSACTION FLIPPING THESE COURSES. AND I  
11 TRIED TO EXPLAIN THE POLARIS CLUB FAVORS THE CONTRACTOR A LOT.  
12 WHAT SHE SAID WAS-- I SAID, "DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THE PLAYERS  
13 CLUB?" SHE SAID, "DO I KNOW ABOUT THE PLAYERS CLUB? IT'S  
14 PUTTING ME OUT OF BUSINESS. I'M A GOLF PRO." AND IT MADE ME  
15 THINK BECAUSE THIS IS A NATIONAL PROGRAM THAT'S BEEN ROLLED  
16 OUT BY THIS COMPANY. AND THEY SOLD THIS IDEA NOT JUST TO L.A.  
17 COUNTY BUT TO OTHER COUNTIES ACROSS AMERICA AND OTHER  
18 MUNICIPALITIES. AND QUITE FRANKLY, THEY WERE CAUGHT IN THE  
19 ACT. WHEN THE NEW YORK TIMES HIGHLIGHTS THAT DETAIL, IT'S NOT  
20 A JOKE. YOU KNOW, IT'S CRIMINAL FRAUD. SO THE COUNTY OF LOS  
21 ANGELES, THE SUPERVISORS WHO WERE SEATED AT THAT TIME WERE  
22 MISLED. THEY MADE A DECISION ABOUT ONE COMPANY, NOT THE  
23 NEWCASTLE INVESTMENT CORPORATION OR WHATEVER IT'S CALLED. BUT  
24 A DIFFERENT COMPANY THAT HAS A MUCH DIFFERENT BALANCE SHEET  
25 AND EVERYTHING ELSE. THERE WERE TWO DETAILS THEY LOOKED AT,



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1 MR. HAFETZ AND I KNOW YOU RECALL, GOLF EXPERIENCE. NEWCASTLE  
2 HAD NONE. THE ONE THEY LOOKED AT, THAT YOUR TEAM LOOKED AT HAD  
3 A LOT. AND THEN THERE WAS ALSO THE HEALTH GRADE AND THEY WERE  
4 RANKED AS A B.B.B. WHICH IS NOT BAD, ACTUALLY. IN FACT THE  
5 COMPANY THAT WAS APPROVED FOR TAKING OVER THE LEASES HAD A  
6 D.D.D WHICH IS NOT NEARLY GOOD ENOUGH FOR THE GREAT COUNTY OF  
7 LOS ANGELES. SO I DON'T GET IT. THEY DIDN'T PLAY BY THE RULES.  
8 SO IS THE MESSAGE THAT FOLKS HERE IN L.A. COUNTY AND OTHER  
9 APPLICANTS AND FOLKS LIKE THAT GOLF INSTRUCTOR AND OTHER SMALL  
10 PROVIDERS ARE SUPPOSED TO TAKE IS THAT ONLY A FOOL PLAYS BY  
11 THE RULES? THAT IF YOU JUST WANT TO GET A CONTRACT YOU SIMPLY  
12 LIE RIGHT INTO THE FIVE FACES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND  
13 SAY YOU'RE ONE PERSON WHEN YOU'RE NOT? IT'S NOT APPROPRIATE.  
14 AND IT MAKES ME VERY SAD AND I JUST WANT TO SAY IN MY  
15 REMAINING SECONDS, MY RESPECT TO MOLLIE LOWERY WHO WAS A  
16 LEADING LIGHT IN A VERY DIFFERENT FIGHT, AND I APPRECIATE HER  
17 WORK.

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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21 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.  
22 AND LAST WEEK ALSO I MADE A MISTAKE AND I BROUGHT UP THE NEXT  
23 ARTICLE. I HAD READ THIS ARTICLE IN ON MONDAY JULY 18TH IN THE  
24 L.A. TIMES REGARDING THE DOWNFALL OF SHERIFF BACA. AND I  
25 QUOTED, I MEANT TO QUOTE THAT THIS GENTLEMAN, THIS L.M.U.



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1 PROFESSOR FERNANDO GUERRERA. WAS QUOTED IN THE NEWSPAPER. HE'S  
2 THE HEAD OF THE STUDY FOR LOS ANGELES. HE WAS QUOTED IN THIS  
3 NEWSPAPER AS SAYING THAT IT WAS A FLAW THAT ULTIMATELY LED TO  
4 BACA'S DOWNFALL AS THE DISTRACTED SHERIFF INCREASINGLY CEDED  
5 CONTROL OF THE DAY-TO-DAY TO TANAKA AND BOB SIGUERA AND  
6 OTHERS. AND AMAZINGLY ON JULY 21ST, THE L.A. TIMES DID, A FOR  
7 THE RECORD, CORRECTION. AND THEY WROTE IN THE CORRECTION THAT  
8 AN ARTICLE ABOUT THE UPCOMING SENTENCING OF RETIRED SHERIFF  
9 LEE BACA SAID IN ONE INSTANCE THAT BACA HAD CEDED THE DAY-TO-  
10 DAY OPERATION OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FROM MERRICK BOBB.  
11 THAT'S NOT WHAT THE ARTICLE SAID. THE ARTICLE ACTUALLY QUOTED  
12 THIS PROFESSOR FROM L.M.U. AND THEY DIDN'T SAY THAT THE  
13 PROFESSOR HAD BEEN MISQUOTED. THEY SAID THEY MISPRINTED  
14 SOMETHING IN THE ARTICLE. AND THAT'S PRETTY MUCH THE GIST OF  
15 THE CONVERSATION YOU HAVE HERE. YOU HEARD PEOPLE TALK ABOUT  
16 ENDING HOMELESSNESS. THEY WANT TO PROVIDE SERVICES. THEY  
17 TALKED ABOUT SEXUALLY EXPLOITED CHILDREN, BUT THERE'S NO  
18 PROGRAM IN ACTION. THE PROGRAM IS GOING TO BE ENACTED IN  
19 OCTOBER. THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES IS GOING TO HAVE THEIR FIRST  
20 MEETING YESTERDAY. SO IT'S WHAT YOU READ IN THE PRINT, THE  
21 BUYING AND SELLING OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. SOMEBODY  
22 TELLING THE TRUTH? IS SOMEBODY LYING? I DON'T THINK THEY KNOW  
23 ANY OTHER WAY TO DO BUSINESS.

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25 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.





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2 **JUAN ALCALA:** I DON'T REALLY THINK THEY KNOW [EXPLETIVE] FROM  
3 SHINOLA. IT'S A KNOWN SAYING. BUT IT MEANS A LOT. IT REALLY  
4 DOES. IT MEANS LIKE YOU DON'T KNOW IF YOU'RE DEALING IN PURE  
5 B.S. OR YOU'RE ACTUALLY TELLING THE TRUTH. THAT MEANS YOU'VE  
6 BEEN TELLING LIES FOR SO LONG, THAT YOU DON'T REALLY KNOW  
7 WHETHER YOU'RE REALLY TELLING THE TRUTH OR NOT. AND GUESS  
8 WHAT? THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NO ILLEGAL HUMAN BEING IN THE WORLD  
9 TO BEGIN WITH. SO WHAT IS THAT [EXPLETIVE] DONALD TRUMP  
10 TALKING ABOUT? HIS BRAIN IS ILLEGAL. HIS BRAIN IS ILLEGAL. I  
11 DON'T KNOW WHERE HE GOT HIS BRAIN. HE PROBABLY GOT IT FROM  
12 OUTER SPACE. HE'S CALLING US ALIENS? HE'S CALLING US ALIENS?  
13 WHO THE HELL IS GOING TO CALL ANYBODY IN THE WORLD AN ALIEN  
14 UNLESS HE WAS RAISED IN JUPITER WHICH MADE HIM STUPIDER. HAVE  
15 YOU SEEN HIS MOUTH WHEN HE MOVES HIS MOUTH? IT'S LIKE, (MAKING  
16 NOISES). I NEED SOMETHING IN MY MOUTH. (MAKING NOISES). THAT  
17 GUY IS A TOTAL IDIOT. HE TELLS A REPORTER, OH HE TELLS HIS  
18 VICE PRESIDENT, THE VICE PRESIDENT SAYS HE'S SPEAKING FROM HIS  
19 HEART. "YEAH, BUT I'M ALSO SPEAKING FROM MY BRAIN. CAN YOU SEE  
20 THAT? I'M SPEAKING FROM MY BRAIN." WHAT AN [EXPLETIVE]. HE'S  
21 SPEAKING THROUGH HIS MOUTH. BUT THE [EXPLETIVE] THAT'S IN HIS  
22 BRAIN, IT'S REFLECTING IN HIS MOUTH AND HE SMELLS LIKE  
23 [EXPLETIVE].

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1   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SERGEANTS, AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME, WOULD  
2   YOU HAVE THE SPEAKER TO KNOW THAT ON MORE THAN ONE OCCASION,  
3   HE'S BEEN AFFORDED THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK, BUT IT WOULD BE  
4   HELPFUL IF HE COULD DIAL IT BACK, PARTICULARLY THE PROFANITY.  
5   NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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7   **JOSEPH MAIZLISH:** PLEASE HOLD MY TIME WHILE THIS IS GOING ON.  
8   THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. AND AT THIS TIME,  
9   SUPERVISOR KNABE, WHEN I WAS SPEAKING BEFORE, YOU WEREN'T  
10   HERE. I HAVE A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS. THE THING THAT'S TROUBLING  
11   ME IS WHAT HAPPENS NOW WITH GETTING CONTINUING FINANCING EARLY  
12   FOR THE HOMELESSNESS SERVICE GOALS THAT I KNOW YOU ALL SHARE?  
13   THE MARIJUANA BUSINESS TAX WAS A WEAK WAY TO DO IT AND A  
14   DELAYED ONE. PERSONALLY, I THINK THAT THE WISEST IS TO FIND  
15   WHERE THE WEALTH OF CALIFORNIA IS ACCUMULATED AND TAX SOME OF  
16   THOSE ACCUMULATIONS THROUGH SOME KIND OF INCOME SYSTEM. YOU'VE  
17   TRIED THAT. THE STATE REFUSED IT. WHAT'S THE CHOICES OF WHAT  
18   THE COUNTY CAN DO NOW? NOT THE IDEAL THING. AND IT LOOKS TO ME  
19   LIKE THAT SALES TAX ITEM WHICH EXEMPTS FOOD, IT EXEMPTS  
20   MEDICINE. IT'S NOT MY FAVORITE. BUT MY FAVORITE IS DOING  
21   SOMETHING FOR THE REAL PEOPLE WHO ARE OUT THERE IN THE  
22   STREETS. AND I HOPE THAT THAT SALES TAX OR SOMETHING ELSE CAN  
23   COME BACK IN TIME TO BE PLACED BEFORE THE VOTERS. THAT'S WHAT  
24   WE'RE ASKING FOR. MAYBE THERE'S SOME APPREHENSION OF WHAT'S  
25   GOING TO HAPPEN TO BUSINESS. REMEMBER THAT QUESTION CAME UP



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1 LAST YEAR. WORRIED ABOUT THE MINIMUM WAGE. AND IT TURNS OUT  
2 THAT THE COUNTY LED THE STATE AND THEN THE STATE WENT ON TO  
3 ESTABLISH IT. SO COURAGE IN THESE THINGS IS CONTAGIOUS. AND SO  
4 IS LOVE. BY THAT I MEAN THE KIND OF LOVE THAT CARES FOR  
5 EVERYBODY. AND I DO HOPE THAT ALL OF YOU CAN UNITE ABOUT  
6 SOMETHING LIKE EITHER THAT SALES TAX OR SOME OTHER THING THAT  
7 WILL GO INTO EFFECT EVEN AT THE END OF THIS YEAR, BY THE END  
8 OF THIS YEAR, TO SUPPORT THE GOALS THAT WE ALL HAVE. EVERY  
9 PERSON COUNTS. AND THAT'S ALL. THANK YOU.

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. I WANT TO  
12 MENTION THAT CATHERINE CLAY WISHES TO BE HEARD.

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14 **GERRI MANNING:** [INAUDIBLE]

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16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** GO RIGHT AHEAD. I'LL GIVE THEM TO YOU. GO  
17 AHEAD.

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19 **GERRI MANNING:** MY MOVEMENT IS A HUMAN RIGHTS MOVEMENT AGAINST  
20 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FOR MY HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATION. I  
21 WANT TO GO TO WASHINGTON D.C. TO RETRIBUTE THE CIVIL RIGHTS  
22 MARCH BY MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. SUPERVISOR KUEHL SAID WHAT  
23 KIND OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES CAN YOU GIVE SOMEONE SITTING ON  
24 THE CURB? I RECOMMEND MY VIEWERS TO MY FACEBOOK PAGE PROFILE  
25 TO SEE LAST WEEK'S POST ON HOMELESSNESS. AND FROM THIS POINT



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1 ONWARD, I WILL NOT SPEAK IN TERMS OF YOUR AGENDA ITEMS, I WILL  
2 BE REVEALING YOUR SKULL AND BONES IDENTITIES. PRESIDENT BARAK  
3 HUSSEIN OBAMA IS THE ANTICHRIST, LUCIFER. JOSIAH [INAUDIBLE],  
4 ST. ANDREW THE SON OF PERDITION. THE MAN OF SIN DONALD TRUMP,  
5 IS HIS PARENT.. HE IS PERDITION. AND ONE OF THE ELDEST--  
6 REVELATION 5:5 "AND ONE OF THE ELDERS SAID UNTO ME, WEEP NOT.  
7 BEHOLD. THE LION OF THE TRIBE OF JUDAH, THE ROOT OF DAVID,  
8 HATH REVEALED TO OPEN THE BOOK AND TO LOOSE THE SEVEN SEALS  
9 THEREOF. THE LION OF THE TRIBE OF JUDAH JUDAH MAY BE THE ROOT  
10 OF DAVID. HE IS WITH US, EMANUEL, THE LORD GOD JESUS CHRIST."  
11 BUT THE LION OF THE TRIBE OF JUDAH IS ALSO HILDA SOLIS, THE  
12 EX-VIRGIN MARY. SHE USED TO BE BLACK, YES A BLACK WOMAN.  
13 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH IS A SMILEY FACE OF SATAN.

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15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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17 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG OR  
18 JWALSHCONFIDENTIAL TWEETING @HOLLYWOODDEMS. RIGHT HERE YOU'LL  
19 SEE THINGS THAT YOU'LL SEE NO WHERE ELSE WITH BEAUTIFUL  
20 PICTURES. 60,000 SYRIANS. THAT'S WHAT YOU VOTED FOR THE TIME  
21 BEFORE LAST THAT I CAME UP HERE. TO BRING THEM IN. AND SHEILA  
22 KUEHL SAID DON'T WORRY, THE F.B.I. WILL CHECK AND MAKE SURE  
23 THAT THEY'RE NOT ON THE TERRORIST WATCH LIST. SO THE MAN WHO  
24 MURDERED AND MOWED DOWN ALL YOUR GAY BROTHERS AND SISTERS, HE  
25 WAS TAKEN OFF THE TERRORIST WATCH LIST BY THE F.B.I. THAT'S A



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1 FACT. IF WE HADN'T STOOD UP AND FOUGHT YOU AND WE GOT ENORMOUS  
2 AMOUNT OF PUBLICITY WHEN I WAS INTERRUPTED. COUNTY COUNSEL,  
3 SHE CAN INTERRUPT ME ANY TIME SHE WANTS, AND SHE INTERRUPTED  
4 ME AND CALLED ME AN [EXPLETIVE]. WELL WHAT'S WRONG WITH  
5 [EXPLETIVE]? SOME PEOPLE LOVE [EXPLETIVE]. [EXPLETIVE] IS PART  
6 OF THE GAY COMMUNITY. WE ALL HAVE [EXPLETIVE]. SOME HAVE  
7 PRETTY ONES. SOME HAVE UGLY ONES. BUT I DON'T LIKE BEING  
8 CALLED AN [EXPLETIVE] BECAUSE I'M NOT INTERESTED IN ANY MAN  
9 STICKING HIS PENIS UP MY [EXPLETIVE].

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YOU KNOW--

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13 **JOHN WALSH:** I DIDN'T BRING UP [EXPLETIVE]. SHE BROUGHT IT UP.

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15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** BUT, JOHN. PLEASE DO.

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17 **JOHN WALSH:** -- BEEN OUT FOR A MONTH. THREE WEEKS IN RECESS AND  
18 NOW THEY ARE OUT FOR CANCELED THE WHOLE WEEK. WHY? BECAUSE  
19 THEY'RE AFRAID OF BLACK LIVES MATTER THAT ARE SURROUNDING THE  
20 BUILDING. THEY'RE GUTLESS COWARDS. EVERYTHING MUST GO THROUGH  
21 THE CHAIR? WELL I'M JUST TELLING YOU RIGHT NOW: I AM NOT AN  
22 [EXPLETIVE]. I'M MORE THAN AN [EXPLETIVE]. A LOT MORE.

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24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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1   **SALAAM ALIM:** HI. DEAR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT LEAST I  
2   CONTACTED EACH ONE OF YOU I DON'T REMEMBER CONTACTING THIRD  
3   DISTRICT, AND YOU, EACH ONE OF YOU DID HELP ME BY DIRECTING ME  
4   TO THE GOVERNMENT RESPONSE TEAM. SO LET THE FILE SHOW WHAT YOU  
5   DID, HOW YOU HELPED ME. I REALLY APPRECIATE THAT. THAT BEING  
6   SAID, BECAUSE I THINK THE SYSTEMATIC PROBLEMS THAT THE COUNTY  
7   HAS, LOS ANGELES COUNTY, THAT'S WHY I'M COMING TO YOU. IT HAS  
8   TO BE ADDRESSED. REGARDING THAT ONE, THERE'S AN EMAIL THAT  
9   CAME TO YOU SO YOU CAN READ IT, AND IF YOU NEED THE DETAIL, I  
10  WILL PROVIDE IT IN THE GOVERNMENT RESPONSE TEAM AND SOME  
11  OTHERS ANSWERED ABOUT THAT ONE. SO NOW WE HAVE A SENSE OF  
12  URGENCY, A SENSE OF SERIOUS URGENCY TO ADDRESS ISSUES  
13  HOMELESSNESS. THIS THING CALLED, WHAT'S GOING, THE FIRE  
14  BURNING OUT OF CONTROL, ALL OF THAT, THAT STARTED IN  
15  MINNESOTA, CONTINUED HERE SO CAN WE DO SOMETHING TOGETHER  
16  INSTEAD OF BLAMING EACH OTHER? SO WHAT DO WE DO? AGAIN WE WORK  
17  TO EITHER BRING THE ISSUES TOGETHER LIKE MR. MARK THOMAS WHAT  
18  DID HE DO, WITH THE FEDERAL-- WHAT'S HER NAME AT THE FEDERAL  
19  AGENCY? SOME PEOPLE YOU HAD TOWN HALL MEETING. YOU NEED TO DO  
20  TOWN HALL MEETING AND HAVE SOME TASKFORCE. SO IF YOU DO THAT,  
21  YOU ARE GOING TO ADDRESS THE ISSUE. I WILL GIVE UP MY 20 EXTRA  
22  SECONDS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. OH, AND IN LOS ANGELES, MEANTIME  
23  HIS DEPARTMENT, THIS IS THOUSAND CALIFORNIA HOSPITAL. WHAT  
24  THEY DO? THERE IS A PATIENTS ADVOCATE. SORRY.

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1    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

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3    **CATHERINE CLAY:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS CATHERINE CLAY. I'M  
4    A CONSUMER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH. MORE DIRECTLY,  
5    I'M A CONSUMER OF THE COUNTY'S ONLY JAIL LINKAGE, WOMEN HEALTH  
6    IN REACH DIRECTLY OPERATED MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC. I WOULD LIKE  
7    TO DIRECT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MORE DIRECTLY WITH ASKING  
8    YOU WHERE IS THE OVERSIGHT AND THE ACCOUNTABILITY WITH THE  
9    DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH? MYSELF AND OTHER CONSUMERS OF THE  
10   DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, MORE DETAILED WOMEN'S  
11   REINTEGRATION. WE ARE A PART OF DISTRICT 2, MARK RIDLEY-  
12   THOMAS'S OFFICE. WE HAVE BEEN MEETING WITH YOUR DEPUTIES  
13   ADDRESSING ISSUES OF DISCRIMINATION, RETALIATION AGAINST BOTH  
14   CONSUMERS AND ALSO STAFF MEMBERS OF THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN  
15   CULTURE AND COMMUNITY. WE AS THE COMMUNITY HAVE BEEN-- WE AS A  
16   COMMUNITY HAVE BEEN DENIED EQUAL ACCESS TO MENTAL HEALTH  
17   SERVICES. WE HAVE BEEN TAKEN AWAY ALL OF OUR RESOURCES. WE  
18   HAVE BEEN ADDRESSED TO GO TO OTHER MENTAL HEALTH CLINICS TO BE  
19   ABLE TO RECEIVE SERVICES. BUT THE REAL ISSUE IS WHEN WE HAVE  
20   THE INTERIM ROBIN KAY SITTING THERE, GIVING PRESENTATIONS ON  
21   WHAT SERVICES ARE BEING OFFERED, IT'S ALL A BOLDFACE LIE. ALL  
22   THE MONIES, ALL OF OUR FUNDS HAVE BEEN TAKEN AWAY FROM US AND  
23   IT IS NOW TIME. I'VE BEEN ASKING YOUR DEPUTY KATHLEEN AUSTRIA  
24   WHAT POWER DOES THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HAVE IN ORDER TO STEP  
25   IN TO BE ABLE TO MAKE SURE THAT WHAT'S GOING ON INSIDE OF THIS





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1 CLINIC IS ILLEGAL? AND TO BE ABLE TO SAY I'M BEGINNING TO FEEL  
2 LIKE THE COUNTY IS COVERING UP WHAT THE COUNTY IS DOING WITHIN  
3 YOUR OWN OVERSIGHT. AND SO ONCE AGAIN I ASK YOU WHERE IS THE  
4 OVERSIGHT AND THE ACCOUNTABILITY FOR EQUAL ACCESS TO EQUAL  
5 RIGHTS OF US AS AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY. AND MORE SPECIFIC  
6 TO JAIL LINKAGE, MENTAL HEALTH CLINICS.

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8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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10 **OSCAR MOHAMMAD:** I OBSERVED THE PEOPLE THAT RUN FOR THE  
11 PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES TODAY. AND SOMETIME I WATCH  
12 HISTORY AND I TRY TO STUDY HISTORY SOMETIME. AND A LOT OF  
13 TIMES IN RELIGION WE'RE TOLD READ THE SIGN. THE PEOPLE WHO RUN  
14 FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IS THE WORST  
15 PEOPLE THAT EVER RAN SINCE IT'S BEEN A COUNTRY IN 200 YEARS.  
16 BUT ANYWAY, WALL STREET HAVE A VERY BIG BOSS IN AMERICAN  
17 POLITICS. AMERICAN CONSTITUTION STANDS AGAINST FAVORITISM.  
18 FAMILY MEMBERS CANNOT HELP INTO THE OFFICE. IF WE SEE BILL  
19 CLINTON AND MRS. CLINTON RUNNING. MRS. CLINTON HAVE NO  
20 CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO RUN BECAUSE HER HUSBAND RAN.  
21 FAVORITISM REGARDING AMERICA. BUT ANYWAY, WE NEED AFFORDABLE  
22 HOUSING. ESPECIALLY FOR THE DISABLED BLACK FEMALE FROM THE  
23 TREASURE HOUSE. THEY ARE DESTITUTE AND THEY ARE STRANDED. AND  
24 WE SHOULD END THE SKID ROW. MOVE BLACK AMERICA OFF OF SKID ROW  
25 AND TRY TO FIND JOBS, FIND BLACK AMERICA AND LOS ANGELES



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1 BAILIFFS TO BE MORE PRODUCTION. WE'RE VERY ON PRODUCTION IN  
2 LOS ANGELES. BUT THE WEST IS AT WAR WITH ISLAM. THE WEST IS AT  
3 WAR WITH ISLAM. ALL OVER LOS ANGELES, THE GOVERNMENT SPIES IS  
4 WATCHING THE TRUE MUSLIM ALL DAY AND NIGHT. ANYWAY, I ENTERED  
5 THE METRO TRAIN ON GRAND AND 7TH STREET TO GO TO CRENSHAW  
6 STREET AND EXPOSITION. AND FROM GRAND AND 7TH STREET TO  
7 CRENSHAW AND EXPOSITION, THE DIRECTOR OF THE TRAIN, HE CALLED  
8 NO STOP. THAT'S KIDNAP. THAT SHOULD BE KIDNAP. AND WE SHOULD  
9 HAVE LAWS AGAINST SAME KIND OF CONDUCT. IF YOU CALL FOR THE  
10 L.A.P.D. THEY HAVE NO HELP. THE L.A.P.D. CAN GO TO HELL AND  
11 STAY. THAT'S WHERE THEY SHOULD STAY. ANYBODY WHO DON'T WANT TO  
12 HELP THIS SITUATION SHOULD-- BUT ANYWAY, AMERICA FOUNDED UPON  
13 SELF-GOVERNMENT, SELF-RESPONSIBILITY, BUT IT'S VERY HARD TO  
14 HAVE SELF GOVERNMENT, SELF-RESPONSIBILITY WITHOUT A CREATIVE  
15 LEADER.

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17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THROUGH WE WILL MOVE TO THE NEXT SPEAKER.  
18 I THINK WE NOW GO TO LANCASTER. SIR?

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20 **MICHAEL JENKINS:** YES, THIS IS EVANGELIST MIKE JENKINS. THIS IS  
21 DIRECTED AT SHEILA KUEHL AND MIKE ANTONOVICH. FIRST OF ALL, I  
22 WANT TO SAY ABOUT GARRY MARSHALL AND ABOUT SHARON RUNNER. YOU  
23 GUYS WANT TO GIVE THEM SO MUCH AUTHORITY, SO MUCH LEEWAY TO  
24 TALK ABOUT HOW GOOD THEY WAS AND EVERYTHING ELSE. BUT I WANT  
25 TO ASK YOU GUYS A REALLY SERIOUS QUESTION: OUT OF ALL THE



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1 MOVIES THAT GARRY MARSHALL DID, HOW MANY BLACK PEOPLE WERE IN  
2 IT? HOW MANY BLACK PEOPLE WERE BEHIND THE SCENES? CAN YOU  
3 ANSWER ME THAT, SHEILA KUEHL? CAN YOU ANSWER THAT MICHAEL  
4 ANTONOVICH? HOW MANY BLACK PEOPLE WAS IN ANY ONE OF THOSE  
5 MOVIES? AND GETTING THIS SHARON RUNNER. SHARON RUNNER STOLE  
6 MONEY AFTER MONEY AFTER MILLIONS AFTER MILLIONS OF DOLLARS AND  
7 YOU WANT SOMEBODY TO FEEL SORRY FOR THEM BECAUSE THEY PASSED  
8 AWAY? AND THEY DIDN'T GIVE A DERN ABOUT BLACK PEOPLE? COME ON.  
9 YOU GUYS KNEW THEM. I KNEW THEM. WHERE WAS THE BLACK PEOPLE  
10 AT? OKAY. NOW, WITH THAT BEING SAID, YOU GUYS, LIKE I SAID  
11 LAST TIME, ALL POLITICAL LIARS, EVERY LAST ONE OF YOU GUYS,  
12 ALL FIVE OF YOU GUYS UP THERE LIE, LIE, LIE. MIKE ANTONOVICH,  
13 I'VE ASKED YOU TO HELP ME WITH MY GRANDDAUGHTER. YOU HAVEN'T  
14 DONE ONE DERN THING TO HELP ME. OKAY. DAVID CANTUN IS PLAYING  
15 GAMES. HE'S WITH CHILDREN'S SERVICES. HIS PHONE NUMBER IS 661-  
16 223-4114. 661-223-4114. MIKE ANTONOVICH, GET OFF YOUR OLD  
17 GREASY TAIL AND DO SOMETHING TO GET MY GRANDDAUGHTER. I GAVE  
18 YOU THE PHONE NUMBER TWICE. GET YOUR ASSISTANTS ON THIS. I  
19 HAVEN'T HAD MY GRANDDAUGHTER IN A YEAR. DO SOMETHING, MIKE  
20 ANTONOVICH. AND AS FAR AS SHEILA GOES, YOU GUYS ARE ALL FULL  
21 OF IT, TALKING ABOUT SHARON RUNNER. WHO CARES?

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23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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1    **DR. DIANA BEARD-WILLIAMS:** DR. DIANA BEARD- WILLIAMS. I'M A  
2    LITTLE LOST IN TERMS OF WHAT I WANT TO SAY. THERE'S SO MANY  
3    EMOTIONS WITHIN ME, BASED ON MY DISGUST AND MY FRUSTRATION AND  
4    MY ANGER, MY BITTERNESS TOWARDS THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS THAT  
5    HAS RAGED ON FOR ABOUT 20 YEARS. I LISTENED TO THE CONVECTION  
6    LAST NIGHT AND I COULD UNDERSTAND THE TEARS OF THE BERNIE  
7    SUPPORTERS, BECAUSE THEY BELIEVED THAT HE WAS GOING TO BRING  
8    SOME TYPE OF REVOLUTION. AND HE WILL. BECAUSE PEOPLE LIKE ME  
9    ARE GOING TO JOIN HIM. AND WE'RE GOING TO KEEP IT GOING.  
10   BECAUSE THERE NEEDS TO BE TRANSPARENCY. PEOPLE DON'T GET IT.  
11   THEY COME TO YOU IN A VERY HUMBLE WAY. LOS ANGELES COUNTY, I  
12   ONLY COME HERE NOT TO TALK TO THE SUPERVISORS, REALLY. THEY  
13   DON'T LISTEN. THEY'VE ALREADY MADE UP THEIR MINDS. THEY'VE  
14   DONE THEIR DEALS. COME ON, MARK, I REMEMBER WHEN YOU  
15   REDECORATED YOUR OFFICE FOR \$100,000. I DIDN'T MAKE A BIG DEAL  
16   OUT OF IT. YOU GOT YOUR PERKS. EVERYBODY DOES WHAT THEY WANT  
17   TO DO WHEN THEY GET IN OFFICE. I KNEW CHARLES DICKINSON FROM  
18   COMPTON GOT IN TROUBLE WITH THE CITY ATTORNEY. HE THOUGHT HE  
19   COULD MAKE MONEY AND DO SOMETHING THAT THE WHITE MAN WAS  
20   DOING, FINAGLING FUNDS BUT THEY NAILED HIM. YOU SEE, THE  
21   PROBLEM IS WE COME TO YOU AND PUT YOU ON A PEDESTAL LIKE YOU  
22   WERE GODS AND YOU'VE ONLY BEEN ELECTED. AND YOU WORK FOR US.  
23   BUT YOU FORGET IT. YOU MAKE DEALS. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH HAS MADE  
24   SO MANY DARN DEALS THAT HAS BENEFITED HIMSELF. AND HE HAS  
25   ALLOWED HIS FRIENDS TO BENEFIT FROM IT. MARK, YOU SIT UP THERE



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1    LIKE YOU JUST CAME FROM TOAST MASTERS AND YOU SPEAK IN SUCH A  
2    WAY THAT WE'RE SUPPOSED TO BE PROUD OF YOU, BECAUSE YOU'RE A  
3    BLACK MAN AND YOU'RE SPEAKING VERY, VERY INTELLIGENTLY? MY  
4    FAMILY MAKES MORE MONEY THAN YOUR FAMILY. THEY SPEAK MORE  
5    INTELLIGENTLY AND YOUR FAMILY. MY SIBLINGS HAVE MORE DEGREES  
6    THAN YOUR KIDS HAVE. BUT THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN US IS WE PAY  
7    BACK. AND WE PAY BACK HONESTLY. AND WE DON'T TAKE DEALS. WE  
8    DON'T CALL FOR ALL. AND I'M NOT GROVELING TO ONE DAMN ONE OF  
9    YOU. I WILL FIGHT YOU FIRST.

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11    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I THINK THAT CONCLUDES THE PUBLIC COMMENT  
12    FOR TODAY, DOES IT NOT? MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

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14    **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR PRO TEM. IN  
15    ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN  
16    THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION  
17    TO DISCUSS ITEM NO.S C.S.-1 AND C.S.-2, CONFERENCES WITH LEGAL  
18    COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION; ITEM C.S.-3, DEPARTMENT  
19    HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS; AND ITEM C.S.-4, CONFERENCE WITH  
20    LABOR NEGOTIATORS SACHI A. HAMAI AND DESIGNATED STAFF AS  
21    INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA.

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**REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION JULY 26, 2016**

CS-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL- EXISTING LITIGATION  
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section  
54956.9)

Estate of Gabriel Fernandez v. County of Los Angeles, et al,  
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. MC 24 306

Robert Fernandez, et al. v. County of Los Angeles  
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. MC 024 306

These cases involve alleged negligence by the County in the  
death of a child. (14-3378)

The Board authorized settlement of the matters entitled Estate  
of Gabriel Fernandez v. County of Los Angeles and Robert  
Fernandez, et al. v. County of Los Angeles.

The details of the settlement will be made available once  
finalized by all parties.



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1 The vote of the Board was 4-0 with Supervisors Ridley-Thomas,  
2 Kuehl, Knabe and Antonovich voting aye; and Supervisor Solis  
3 being absent.

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5 No reportable action was taken on items CS-2, CS-3 or CS-4.

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2 6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of California, do  
3 hereby certify:

4 That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the Los  
5 Angeles County Board of Supervisors July 26, 2016,  
6 were thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my  
7 direction and supervision;

8 That the transcript of recorded proceedings as archived  
9 in the office of the reporter and which have been provided to  
10 the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors as certified by  
11 me.

12 I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor  
13 related to any party to the said action; nor  
14 in anywise interested in the outcome thereof.

15 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 1st  
16 day of August 2016, for the County records to be used only for  
17 authentication purposes of duly certified transcripts  
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